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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

No. 33.

READ—the following papers :—

From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Trichinopoly, 3rd October 1882, No. 1208 T.J.

I have the honor to submit herewith the revised estimates for the Tanjore Palace repairs amounting to Rs. 92,920.

43 Estimates.

- 1 Abstract for Examiner.
- 1 General Abstract.
- 1 Comparative Statement.
- 1 First Section for drainage repairs.
- 1 Second Section for general repairs.
- 1 Executive Engineer's original letter.

2. The original sanctions amounted to Rs. 63,500 only and these were divided into four sections :—

	RS.
1. Improving drains	3,860
2. Repairing dangerously dilapidated portions	28,988
3. Plastering leaks	11,607
4. General repairs	19,045
Total	63,500

3. The original estimates, as explained in the Executive Engineer's letter * herewith sent, were framed very hurriedly and under circumstances of special difficulty. In carrying out the works it has been found in very many cases quite impossible to follow them, so that the total of the revised estimates for the forty-two works has greatly exceeded † the original sanction.

† Vide Comparative Statement herewith forwarded.

4. The report also explains the causes of delay in submitting these estimates.

5. In carrying out the work it was found impossible to confine the repairs to the sections as sanctioned, and this was reported and your sanction ‡ obtained to take up other portions where necessary.

6. In preparing the revised estimates it was also found very undesirable to break up the original items into more than two items, viz. :—

	RS.
Drainage	3,430
General Repairs	89,490
Total	92,920

7. The total expenditure up to date, including that done prior to 1879-80, has been Rs. 44,970.

No. 33-A.

From Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle, dated 6th October 1882, No. 1213 T.J.

No. 33-B.

From Lieutenant-Colonel H. R. MEAD, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Trichinopoly, 10th November 1882, No. 1431 T.J. :—

With reference to your memorandum No. 1879 C., dated 20th October 1882,

1 Report.

45 Estimates.

1 Abstract Estimate.

1 Do. for Examiner.

1 Comparative Statement.

1 Executive Engineer's No. 2629, dated 19th September 1882.

I have the honor to return the estimates, amounting to Rs. 92,920, for the Tanjore Palace repairs with the report called for.

2. As the original estimate was signed by the officer in charge of the Government Agency, Tanjore, I have not thought it necessary to send the revised ones that are practicably for the same

work to him for countersignature, but send them on without it to save delay.

ENCLOSURE.

Report on the Estimate amounting to Rs. 92,920 for Repairs to the Tanjore Palace.

In G.O., No. '2580-D W., dated 13th October 1879, an estimate amounting to Rs. 63,500 was sanctioned. This was believed to cover the probable cost of the repairs absolutely necessary to forty-one blocks of the Tanjore Palace. After the work had been some time in progress it was found that the estimate was not sufficient to carry out the work, which was found to be built of much worse material and in a much worse state than was thought. A revised estimate was ordered, but it was not until October 1882 that it was sent in, and it was returned by the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, with his memorandum No. 1879 C., dated 20th October, calling for a report by the Superintending Engineer.

The Superintending Engineer has inspected the building and examined the estimate which has been carefully prepared and which he believes is as accurate as can be made, he also considers that in all probability the work can and will be executed for the amount of the estimate.

It is however impossible to make a fully reliable estimate for the repair of these buildings, which have been many of them built of bad materials, and all of which have been added to from time to time, the result is that until they are dismantled it is impossible to know with accuracy what is necessary.

The work that has been done is substantial and good, and the estimates are recommended for sanction.

TRICHINOPOLY,
10th November 1882.

(Signed) H. R. MEAD, Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle.

No. 34.

ORDER—dated 5th December 1882, No. 3202 W., Public Works.

The revised estimates, amounting to Rs. 92,920, for repairs to the Tanjore Palace buildings, are sanctioned in lieu of the estimates for Rs. 63,500 recorded in G.O., No. 2580-D W., dated 13th October 1879.

The estimates now submitted are divided into two sections, viz :—

	Rs.
Drainage	3,430
General Repairs	89,490
	92,920

3. The total expenditure on the work, including Rs. 3,335 spent prior to 1879-80 and debited to the Civil Department, has been Rs. 44,970.

4. Rs. 24,000 have been provided in the current year's budget for special and annual repairs to the Tanjore Palace.

5. This sanction has been registered as Provincial No. 176 W. of 1882-83, and classified as Civil Buildings, Repairs. It cancels special No. 37 B. of 1879-80.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle, with forty-eight enclosures.
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts, with duplicate Abstract Estimate.
„ Political Department, with Note by the Honorable Member.

Exd. S. T. Austin,
Spare Copies

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G.O., 5th Dec. 1882, No. 3202 W.

DECEMBER.

Nos. 33-34.

Tanjore Palace Buildings.

The revised estimates, amounting to Rs. 92,920, for repairs to the —, sanctioned with remarks.

23RD DECEMBER 1882, No. 555, POLITICAL.

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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

G.O., dated 5th December 1882, No. 3202 W., Public Works.

ABSTRACT.—The revised estimates, amounting to Rs. 92,920, for repairs to the Tanjore Palace Buildings, sanctioned with remarks.

ORDER—dated 23rd December 1882, No. 555, Political.

Communicated to the Government Agent, Tanjore, whose special attention will be drawn to the absolute necessity of providing that when the repairs now sanctioned are carried out, the palace buildings should be *kept* in a properly sanitary condition. It is hoped that the expenditure which has been, and will be, incurred may prove sufficient to remedy the principal defects indicated in Colonel Oakes's letter, dated

23rd December 1875, No. 2399, but it is obvious that nothing but the most direct and peremptory supervision can suffice to prevent a recurrence of the evils which have been rampant in these buildings from a remote period. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council commends the matter for the most careful consideration of the Government Agent.

(True Extract.)

C. G. MASTER,
Chief Secretary.

To the Government Agent, Tanjore, with copy of the
Public Works Department G.O.
Copy to the Public Works Department.

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DECEMBER.

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