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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads
Civil Works

Read—the following paper:—

G.O., dated 19th February 1885, Mis. No. 471, Judicial.

Read—the following letter from the Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 10th February 1885, No. 418 —

I am directed to forward the accompanying letter, with its enclosures, from the District Judge of Tanjore, applying for the erection of a new court-house for the district munsif of Tiruvallur, and to request that the necessary action may be taken in the Public Works Department. The present accommodation is very insufficient, and the court an important one in a rich and populous town.

2. With reference to paragraph 6 of the District Judge's letter, I am to state, for the information of Government, that the High Court agrees with the Judge that the court should remain at Tiruvallur, and that the new building should be erected there.

Enclosure.

From G. A. PARKER, Esq., District Judge, Tanjore, to the Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature, Madras, dated Tanjore, 24th January 1885, No. 33.

I have the honor to inform you that I inspected the court of the district munsif of Tiruvallur in December last, and now desire to request the attention of the High Court to the sort of accommodation provided for that court.

2. The building is an ordinary native house, and is divided between the district munsif, the deputy tahsildar and the sub-jail. Like most native houses, there is an open court-yard in the middle, and in the middle of this a trellis-work erection has been provided for the records of the district munsif's court. The wall which separates the district munsif's court from the deputy tahsildar's out-here is of mud, and as it does not completely reach the roof, the noise of conducting business in one court is admirably adapted to disturb the work in the other. A low roof slopes down from the outer wall to the pillars of the inner court-yard (kudam), the result being that, about 1 p.m. on a bright afternoon, sitting in the munsif's seat, I was hardly able to read the papers which were put before me. The gurnastahs, copyists and process servers were all huddled together in a small bit of inner verandah, where the people who have business with the head gurnastah and deputy nazir cannot fail to disturb the rest at their work.

The only respectable accommodation in the whole building are the four wards provided for the prisoners. These are low and light and airy, but it seemed rather hard that the prisoners should be so much better treated than the district munsif and the sub-magistrate.

3. I enclose a ground plan of the building which the late district munsif (Mr. Kanakasabai Mudaliar) has had prepared for me. I could only wish the building itself were half as nice as the plan.

4. I also enclose a statement showing the net annual profits which Government have made from the litigation in this court from 1879-80 to 1883-84. The High Court will observe that it has risen from Rs. 4,254 to Rs. 10,743 in these five years.

5. Under these circumstances, I think I am justified in requesting the High Court to leave Government to superintend the erection of a district munsif's court on the standard plan for Tiruvallur. As the High Court are aware, the court is a first grade court and is classed as B 1.

6. It has been a matter for consideration with me whether, if a new court were sanctioned, it should not be built at Nannilam instead of Tiruválár. Nannilam is to a slight extent more central for the maganams attached to this munsif, and is, moreover, the custom station at which the treasury is placed. It is 9 miles from Tiruválár, and all cash remittances into and out of the treasury have to be sent this distance. Should the Local Fund railway ever be made from Máyavur through Tiruválár to Marupet, it would pass near, though not exactly through, Nannilam. On the other hand Tiruválár is a large town, while Nannilam is only a village; and I find that the greater part of the litigation comes from Tiruválár and maganams contiguous to it—perhaps more than three-fifths of the whole. I enclose copies of the district munsif's letter, in which he has urged that Tiruválár should be maintained as the station for the court, together with the statistics on which that recommendation is founded. It is for the High Court to decide, but I incline to think on the whole that the new court should be at Tiruválár. Should the new railway be made, it would facilitate access to Tiruválár for those in the northern part of the munsif, and the sole advantage of Nannilam would be the presence of the taluk treasury.

Order—dated 10th February 1885, No. 470, J. of Secy.

The proposals made in this letter are approved and communicated to the Public Works Department for the issue of the necessary orders.

(True Extract.)

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

Order—dated 21st February 1885, No. 418 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, who will submit an estimate for a new court-house for the district munsif of Tiruválár.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, with five enclosures.
Public Works Department.

E. B. Fernandez,
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated February, 21st.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 21st Feb. 1885, No. 418 W.

FEBRUARY:

District Munsif's Court House
at Tiruvalur

Superintending Engineer to submit an
estimate for a —

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Order thereon 19 February 1880, No. 471

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I am, Sir, very
truly, Sir, your obedient servant

Frank L. ...
Chief Secretary

So

The Public Works Department,
will all enclose
a Register of the same.

No 33

Bangalore

24th January 1880

I am

C. A. Parker Esquire
District Judge
Bangalore

I

J. A. ... Esquire
By Registrar of the High Court
of Judicature
Madras

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Respect the honor to be

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Your most obedient servant

District Judge

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No. C. M. 536.

From

The District Judge
Tangore

Dated - 24.
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3. Enclosures

Enclosure No. 1. Ground plan is
sent separately.

No. 33.

Drawing the attention of the
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and requesting that the Court
may be moved to some other
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Court on the standard plan.

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To

The Public Works Dept

Communicated to
the Supt. Engr. II
Circle, who will submit
an estimate for a
new court house
for the District Municipality
of Tiruvannamalai.

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21.2.85

Proceedings, dated 17 February 1885.
No. 671, Public Works Dept.

Subject.

Approving the proposals
of the High Court of Madras
for the erection of a new
Court House for the District
Municipality of Tiruvannamalai, and com-
municating the same to the
P. W. D. for the issue of ne-
cessary orders.

Bt R

Bt Maj

S. B. II Circle

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for the Dept.

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