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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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Read—the following letter from Lieut.-Colonel J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., Officiating Consulting Architect to Government, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepâk, 5th March 1885, No. 1773:—

I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to allot Rs. 3,000 to the new post office at Madras from any spare funds that may now be available, as I now find I can utilise this sum with advantage to the work within the current official year.

Order—dated 9th March 1885, No. 555 W., Public Works.

A sum of Rs. 2,996, the available balance of reserve with Government under Imperial, Civil Buildings, Original Works, Postal, is appropriated to the new post office at Madras.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Architect to Government.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Postmaster-General.

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Dated March, 9th.

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G.O., 9th March 1885, No. 555 W

MARCH.

New Post Office at Madras

Rs. 2,996 allotted for the —.

16TH FEBRUARY 1885, No. 379 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., Offg. Consulting Architect to Government, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepâk, 10th February 1885, No. 1667 :—

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of G.O. No. 227 W., dated 28th January 1885; and, in reply thereto, to state that no more money can be spent on the new post and telegraph offices this year beyond the sums already allotted, and to request that Rs. 1,500 be transferred from the head "Post Office" to "Telegraph Department." Rs. 14,645, being compensation to Military Department for the present mule lines on the beach, which have been sanctioned to be taken over for postal service stables, may be at once transferred to the Military Department, in order to utilise money that may be available under the head of Post Office.

2. Replying to paragraph 4, I have the honor to report that this office did not notify to the Directors-General of Telegraph and Post Offices that funds would be required for the project in 1885-86, as it was then thought that immediate sanction would be given to the conversion of the existing commissariat mule lines on the beach into post office service stables, the work being carried out in 1884-85. That work having been held in abeyance, necessitates funds being provided in 1885-86.

ORDER—dated 16th February 1885, No. 379 W., Public Works.

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed.

(Here enter No. 380 W., dated 16th February 1885.)

(True Extract.)

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

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Govt. of {1885} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated February, 1885.

Recd. Encl.

G.O., 16th Feb. 1885, No. 379 W.

FEBRUARY.

New Post and Telegraph Offices at Madras

Orders on letter from the Officiating Consulting Architect stating that no further expenditure can be incurred on the — in the current year.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

LETTER—from

COLONEL J. SHAW-STEWART, R.E.,

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter No. 24 B., dated 19th January 1885, I am directed to state that, in my telegram of the 9th February 1885, it has already been reported that no further expenditure can be incurred during the current official year on the post and telegraph offices at Madras, and that sanction is required to a transfer of Rs. 1,500 from Postal to Telegraph from existing allotments to the work.

2. With reference to paragraphs 2 and 3 of your letter, I am to remark that a revised estimate for the project, amounting to Rs. 6,89,679, was forwarded, for the sanction of the Government of India, with my letter No. 59 W., dated 8th January 1885, and that it was therein pointed out that the demand for 1885-86 would be Rs. 42,206, instead of Rs. 30,155 as previously notified.

3. With respect to the entire omission of the project from the schedule of demands for 1885-86, I am to explain that the greater portion of the grant needed next official year is required for the construction of service stables for the post office. In my letter No. 1964 W., dated 11th August 1884, it was reported that this Government had decided, as the best practicable arrangement for providing the necessary stable accommodation, to convert certain commissariat mule lines on the beach into postal stables, and to provide lines elsewhere for the commissariat mules at the cost of the post office. When the schedule of demands was drawn up, it was anticipated that this stabling would be completed during 1884-85, and that no grant would therefore be required during 1885-86; but since then difficulties have arisen with regard to a site for the new mule lines, and there is now little prospect of the work being commenced during the current official year.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

FORT ST. GEORGE,
16th February 1885.

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Govt. of {1885} Madras.

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Dated February, 16th.

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16th Feb. 1885, No. 380 W.

FEBRUARY.

New Post and Telegraph Office at Madras

Stating that no further expenditure can be incurred on the — in the current year, and requesting sanction to a transfer of funds, and explaining the omission of the work from the schedule of demands for 1885-86.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following letter from R. B. BUCKLEY, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Civil Works—Buildings), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 19th January 1885, No. 24 B. :—

With reference to the correspondence ending with your telegram, dated 6th January 1885, I am directed to communicate the sanction of the Government of India to the additional grant, amounting to Rs. 14,880, for expenditure during the current year on works connected with the post office portion of the combined post and telegraph office at Madras.

	Rs.
Works	12,000
Establishment	2,760
Tools and Plant	120
Total ...	14,880

2. In paragraph 2 of your letter No. 3004 W., dated 8th December 1884, it is stated that the revised estimate for the entire project will approximately amount to Rs. 7,00,000. The total probable expenditure up to the end of 1885-86, as at present advised by the Madras Government, will, however, amount to Rs. 6,77,628 for works only, as shown in the margin, or Rs. 22,372 less than the estimate of ultimate cost. It appears, therefore, to the Government of India that either the approximate estimate of seven lakhs of rupees is somewhat over the mark, or that more funds will be required than the amounts hitherto reported.

	Rs.
Actual outlay to end of 1883-84 ..	2,88,163 post office. 2,96,179 telegraph office.
	5,84,275
Budget grant of 1884-85	38,200
Additional grant sanctioned in Public Works Department, No. 368 B., of 10th October 1885-86..	13,000
Additional grant now sanctioned ..	12,000
Grant required for 1885-86 ..	30,155
Total ..	6,77,628

3. I am also to inquire whether more money could be advantageously spent during the current official year, should the Government of India have it in its power to allot a further grant, and whether any change in the demand for 1885-86 now made (Rs. 30,155) may be expected, in connection with which latter point I am to invite the attention of the Madras Government to the entire omission of this work from its annual schedule.

4. I am, in conclusion, to request that the information asked for may be furnished at your earliest convenience and that the submission of the revised estimate may be expedited.

ORDER—dated 28th January 1885, No. 227 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Consulting Architect, with reference to G.O., No. 3003 W., dated 8th December 1884.

2. A revised estimate, amounting to Rs. 6,89,679, for the post and telegraph offices at Madras was forwarded to the Government of India with Proceedings, No. 58 W., dated 8th January 1885, and it was stated that the amount required for expenditure during 1885-86 would be Rs. 42,206.

3. The Consulting Architect will report without delay whether any sum, in addition to the grants already sanctioned, can be spent on the work during the current official year.

4. The schedule of demands for 1885-86, on account of Imperial Civil Buildings, Roads and Services, was based on statements received from the Directors-General of Telegraphs and Post Offices, and in them no provision was made for the post and telegraph offices at Madras. The Consulting Architect will report whether the amount required for the project in 1885-86 was notified to those officers.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Architect to Government.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Postmaster-General.
" Chief Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division.

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Govt. of {1885} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS

Dated January, 28th.

Recd. Encl.

G.O., 28th Jan. 1885, No. 227 W.

JANUARY.

Combined Post and Telegraph Office at Madras

Orders on letter from the Government of India sanctioning, with remarks, an additional grant for works connected with the —.

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The reserve balance under Imperial Civil Buildings stands as follows:

Postal original Works	4052
Do Repairs	564
Telegraphs Repairs	1380
	5996

A telegram to Govt of India has just been approved by W in which a sum of Rs 3000 out of the above balance are surrendered.

Deducting that amount as per details in the margin the balance still available under Postal original works is Rs 2996 which amount can be appropriated to meet the demand

Postal. Orgl Works	1056
Do Repairs	564
Telegraphs Repairs	1380
	3000

Made by the
Cons Architect

P. W. D.

Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, Madras.

5th March 1885

No. 1773

From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

Sir,

Enclosures.

I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to allot Rs 3000 to the new ~~Telegraph~~ office at Madras from any spare funds that may now be available as I now find I can utilize this sum with advantage to the work, within the current official year.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

J. L. Morants
Lieut Col R.E
Offg Consg Architect
to Government

P. W. D.

Roads and Buildings.

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

The Chief Engineer

Public Works Depart.

No. 1773

Dated 5th March 1885

Received

No. OF ENCLOSURES.

Subject.

Requests that Rs 3000 may be allotted for the Telegraph office Madras.

No. 555 W PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 9th March/85

READ the following

From the Consulting Architect to Government } H.E. No. 1773 of 5th March/85

A sum of Rs 2996, the available balance of reserve with Government under Imperial Civil Buildings original works Postal, is appropriated to the New Post office at Madras.

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The Cong: Architect to Govt

Ecr P.W. Accts.

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