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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read—the following papers :—

From the Consulting Architect to Government,		dated	24th August	1885,	No. 788.
Do.	do.	do.	„ 14th Sept.	„	„ 896.
Do.	do.	do.	„ 9th Dec.	„	„ 1309.
Do.	do.	do.	„ 11th „	„	„ 1329.
Office note from	do.	do.	„ 15th „	„	„ 1367.

Order—dated 23rd January 1886, No. 194 W., Public Works.

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3. Mr. Chisholm has also prepared an alternative design, estimated to cost Rs. 23,950 with cut-stone windows, or Rs. 19,950 with wooden tracery in lieu of stone. The maximum grant for a church on this plan would be Rs. 18,949, or only Rs. 1,001 less than the estimate.

4. The Bishop of Coimbatore, however, prefers the more expensive design, and he at first promised a contribution of Rs. 5,000 to supplement the Government grant; but he now states his inability to contribute more than Rs. 2,000, and he suggests that the church might be built in the first instance without the tower and sacristy. The omission of these items will reduce the estimated cost to Rs. 22,874; but the Government grant will, at the same time, be reduced to Rs. 18,962. Adding to the latter sum the Rs. 2,000 promised by the Bishop, the amount available will still be Rs. 1,912 less than the estimated cost. The amount of Government grant, as calculated by rule, cannot be increased without the sanction of the Government of India; and if the Bishop cannot increase his promised contribution, the project must stand over for a time.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Architect to Government, with plans and estimates.
„ Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.
„ Ecclesiastical Department.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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P. W. D. No. 1746

Roads and Buildings.

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

The Chief Engineer
P. W. Dept

No. 788

Dated 24th August 1885
Received 25

No. 1499 Cap 12-9-8

No. of Enclosures. 4 (5)

Subject.

Submits plans & Estimate amounting to Rs 27,014 for Constructing a Roman Catholic church at Wellington.

P. W. D.

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Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, Madras,
14 September 1885

No. 896

From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Dept.

Sir,

Enclosure.
2 Tracings.
1 Estimate
1 Dup: Abstract

I have the honor to return the sketch plans and Estimate for the Wellington Church. The Estimate amounts to Rs 29173-0-0.

I have added the cost of the furniture by Code rules.

The church will accommodate 196 only by the Code rules if the seats are laid down as shown on the plan.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most obdt. Servant

R. F. Chisholm
Consg. Archt. to Govt.

Public Works Department.

(3)

From

The Consulting Architect

to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer

Public Works Dept.

195 Dd/25·1·81
252 Cd/4·2·84
1977 Wd/12·8·84
°2737 W d/4·11·84
499 Cd/12·9·85
1887 W d/14·8·85

No. 896.

Dated 14 September 1885

Received 15 "

No. of Enclosures.

Subject.

Returns the sketch plans and Estimate amounting to Rs 29173 for the Wellington Church × (Roman Catholic)

Q 28/9/85

P. W. D.

198/5

Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, Madras,
9th December 1885.

No. 1309

From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer

Public Works Dept.

Sir,

Enclosure.

2 Letters
1 Estimate
2 plans.

I have the honor to resubmit the design for the Roman Catholic Church at Wellington forwarded to me with your office Note No. 705 E. dated 5th October 1885.

2. On receiving the above note I prepared an entirely new design which I now forward for inspection the cost of which amounted to Rs. 23950 with cut stone windows, and Rs. 19,950 with wooden tracery in lieu of ~~wood~~ stone. The Government grant calculated on the code rules

would amount for this design to Rs 19,000 as follows: —

	Supl. ft.
200 sittings @ 6 supl. ft. per sitting	= 1,200
Chancel - 20'-0" x 20'-	= 400
Vestry — 17'-9" x 10'-0"	= 177
Porch — 6'-0" x 7'-0"	= 42
Central passage 49'-6" x 4'-0"	= 198
Passage near chancel 10'-6" x 24'-0"	= 252
do in transepts 2 (4'-9" x 12'-0")	= 114
do do 2 (16'-6" x 8'-0")	= 264
do near Entrance 7'-3" x 10'-0"	= 73
Supl: feet	2720

The actual cost of the Hospital at Wellington was Rs 1,20,000, it contains a total area of 24,224 Supl: feet which gives a rate of about 5 Rs per supl: feet. The area calculated at one-fourth more = 2,720 @ 6 Rs 4 as = 17,000

Furniture — 1,949

Rupees 18949

3. The Right Reverend the Bishop of Madras forwarded this design

to the Roman Catholic Bishop of Coimbatore for his opinion. The Bishop of Coimbatore suggested certain alterations which if carried out, practically reverted to the first design which he had not first seen. I then forwarded this design through the Right Revd the Bishop of Madras for his inspection with the remark that the Government had declined to sanction it on account of excessive cost.

4. Both plans are now returned by the Right Reverend the Bishop of Madras with a letter from the Bishop of Coimbatore (now enclosed) agreeing to pay 4 or 5 thousand Rupees towards the cost of the more expensive design.

5. The Government grant by the Code rules for this design amounts to Rs 23,000 in round figures as detailed below. —

		Supl: feet
200 Sittings at 6 Supl ft per sitting		= 1,200
Chancel	20 x 22	= 440
Vestry	19 x 10	= 190
Central passage	61 x 4	= 244
do near chancel	22 x 11	= 242
do in transepts	2 (12 x 4)	= 96
do do	2 (20 x 8)	= 320
do near entrance	1 (18 x 10)	= 180
do do	1 (3 x 5)	= 15
Tower	3 (12 x 12)	= 432
	Supl: feet	3,359

3359 Supl: feet @ 6 Rs 4 as	= 20,994
Furniture	1949
Total Rs	22,943

If to this we add the promised Rupees 5,000 the amount only falls short of the Estimate by Rupees 1,230. I believe I can modify the design in preparing the working drawings so as to effect this saving.

I

I have the honor to be

Sir 194/7

your most obdt. Servant

R Chisholm

Consg: Archt. to Govt.

Catholic Cathedral, Madras
8th December 1885.

CW

194/7

From
The Rt. Revd. J. Colgan D.D.
" " "

To.
R.F. Chisholm Esqr.
Consg: Archt. to Govt.

Sir,

I have the honor to return the two plans for the church at Wellington. I also forward a letter from Dr. Bardon accepting the Plan of the 20th August, and offering four to five thousand Rupees as a Contribution from the mission towards its building, if adopted. I trust you will be able, with the above sum, in addition to the Government Grant, to carry out this plan, and thereby, satisfy the wishes of all parties.

I

Thane &c &c

(Sd) + J. Colgan.

(True Copy)

Jno. Lewis
Manager
Consg. Archt's office

Coimbatore
7th Dec. 1885.
194/8

My dear Lord

In answer to your envoy of the 4th instant, I will tell your Lordship that I accept the present plan, and I will give four to five thousand Rupees to meet the cost

I am, my dear Lord
yours devotedly in J.C.
(Sd) + J. Bardon

I return the plan and the letter of Mr. Chisholm.

(True Copy)

Jno. Lewis
Manager
Consg: Archt's office.

Public Works Department.

From

The Consulting Architect
to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer
P. W. Dept

No. 1309

Dated 9th December 1885.
Received

No. of Enclosures. 5

Subject.

Resubmits a design and an estimate amounting to Rs 29,173 for the Roman Catholic church at Wellington.

P. W. D.

194/10

Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, Madras,
11th December 1885.

No. 1329

From
The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras,

To
The Chief Engineer
Public Works Dept.

Sir,

Enclosure.

In continuation of my letter No. 1309 dated the 9th December 1885, I have the honor to state that the Bishop of Coimbatore now reduces his contribution towards building the new Roman Catholic Church at Wellington from Rs 5,000 to Rupees 2,000 but proposes certain omissions which can of course be effected. I enclose a copy of his letter addressed to the Right Reverend the Bishop of Madras.

I.

Coimbatore

194/11

10th December 1885

My dear Lord

After further considerations I regret to say, that I am unable to fulfil my last promise of giving five thousands Rupees for the Wellington church. All I can do is to keep my first offer of giving Rs 2,000.

I think that if Mr. Chisholm is willing to carry on the plan of August last, without the tower or belfry, and without the Sacristy, as we manage a proper place for a sacristy behind the Altar, he can do it for twenty five to twenty six thousands Rupees. Otherwise let the project rest for a time.

I remain, my dear Lord
yours devotedly in Christ
(sd) + J. Bardou

(True copy)

R Chisholm
Consg. Archt. to Govt.

Chepauk

No. 2817D 14th Decr/85

To C.A. Please say what the estimated cost of the Church will be omitting the tower & Sacristy.

The omission of those items will apparently reduce the maximum Govt grant to Rs 19.556

Papers returned herewith for reference

14/12/85

14.12.85

Public Works Department.

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

The Chief Engineer

P. W. Dept.

No. 1329

Dated 11th December 1885

Received 12

NO. OF ENCLOSURES.

Subject.

Regarding the proposed Roman Catholic church.

Office Note.

134/13

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE D. W.

No. 1367

Chepâk, 15 December 1885.

Omitting the Belfry and Sacristy the Lombard design will cost Rs 22,874.

The Government grant will then be reduced to Rs 18,963 as follows:—

	Supl. ft
Arm of passage near Belfry	15
Belfry	432
Sacristy	190
	637

Total area = 3359
Minus = 637
Balance 2722

DMS 108/60

2722 @ 6 Rs 4 as = Rs 17,013

Furniture = 1949

Total Rs 18,962

as stated above.

C. A.

E 11 16/12/15
E 10 (2 plans)

No. 195 Dd/28.1.84
" 251 Cd/4.1.84
" 1977 Wd/12.8.84
" 2737 Wd/4.11.84
" 1499 Cd/12.9.85
" 705 Ed/5.10.85
" 2417 Dd/14.12.85
" 1887 Wd/14.8.85

Put up with Cir. 1903.

Cir 11/1/86 R 22.1.86

C.A.W.

Please have this put in shape of a Note for orders, giving full information. The Note can go in Circulation.

In the meantime the draft G.O. can stand over.

6.1.86

W

With your approval the usual "For orders" note might be converted into a draft order as shown in pencil, in lieu of the order previously drafted.

Cn
23.1.86

Yes

2722 @ 6 Ro 4 as =

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Public Works Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

Read the following

From the Consulting Architect to Govt. H.E. No. 788 d/24th August 1885.
From — Do — Do — H.E. No. 896 d/14th Septr 1885.
From — Do — Do H.E. No. 1309 d/9th Decr 1885.
From — Do — Do H.E. No. 1329 d/11th Decr 1885.
Office Note from Do — Do — No. 1369 d/15th Decr 1885.

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4. The Right Reverend the Bishop of Coimbatore originally promised a contribution of Rs 5000 to supplement the Govt grant, but he now states his inability to contribute more than Rs 2000, and suggests the omission of the tower and sacristy.

5 The omission of those items, will reduce the cost of the proposed Church to Rs 22,874, but the Government grant will also be reduced to Rs 18,962. Adding to this the sum of Rs 2000 promised by the Right Reverend the Bishop, the amount available will still be Rs 1912 less than the estimated cost. If the Consulting Architect to Government be unable to reduce the cost of the Church to the amount available, or if the Right Reverend the Bishop cannot increase his promised contribution, the project must stand over for a time.

13/11/85

To
The Consg: Archt to Govt with plans & estimates
" Supdg Engr IV Circle
" Ecclesiastical Dept

No. 194 W

Proceedings of the Govt. P. W. Dept

194/51

Read the following:—

Under date the 13th January 1886

From the Consg. Architect to Govt. No. 788 d/ Augt. 24th 1885)
" do " " 896 d/ Septr. 14th "
" do " " 1309 d/ Decr. 9th "
" do " " 1329 d/ " 11th "
Office note from do " " 1367 d/ " 15th "

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W.

11.1.86

W.

To the C.A. to Govt
with blue estimate
" S.S. IV Circle
" Eccles. Dept.

Dr. [illegible]
1/2/86

194/21

Mr [illegible]

— FOR ORDERS —

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Govt. of 1886 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated

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G.O. 23 Jan. 1886, No. 194 W

Roman Catholic building
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