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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

P.W. DEPARTMENT

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ again—

G.O., dated 23rd April 1885, No. 959 W., Public Works.

Read—also the following papers:—

From the President, Madras Municipal Commission,		dated	20th	May	1885, No. 132.
Do.	Consulting Architect to Government	„	26th	„	„ 274.
Do.	do.	„	4th	Aug.	„ 604.
Do.	do.	„	2nd	Sept.	„ 835.
Do.	do.	„	17th	„	„ 906.
Do.	President, Madras Municipal Commission,	„	29th	„	„ 844.
Do.	Deputy Sanitary Commissioner	„	5th	Dec.	„ 1151.

Do. Deputy Surgeon-General G. BIDIE, M.D., C.I.E., Sanitary Commissioner, dated 11th January 1886.

ORDER—dated 25th January 1886, No. 211 W., Public Works.

In their proceedings, dated 23rd April 1885, No. 959 W., the Government sanctioned certain proposals made by the Consulting Architect for acquiring the site of the fishing village to the south of the presidency college, and transferring the village to a new site, west of the canal, at present rented by the Madras Municipality from the dharmakartas of the Sri Parthasarathi Swami temple in Triplicane.

2. After those proposals had received approval, the President of the Municipality drew attention to two objections thereto. First, that the site to which it is proposed to remove the fishermen formed part of a municipal sewage farm, and that, in the event of that part of the farm being taken for the village, the disposal of the sewage would involve difficulty and expense; second, that the location of the village on the site of an old sewage farm seemed objectionable on sanitary grounds.

3. Subsequent to the receipt of Mr. Mackenzie's letter detailing these objections, the question of an alternative site for the fishing village was fully investigated. Several suggestions were brought forward, but to each there appeared to be insuperable objections; and Lieutenant-Colonel Morant's original proposal was apparently the only practicable way out of the difficulty.

4. In order to investigate the objections raised by the President of the Municipality, the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, reports that he met the President and the Vice President of the Municipality at the proposed site in November 1885, when the whole question was fully considered. It was ascertained that the area now available for the Triplicane sewage farm is inadequate for the disposal of the sewage which is now conveyed there; that a considerable quantity of that sewage now escapes into the canal, and that additional and more complete arrangements for the utilisation of the sewage are absolutely necessary. This being so, the Government are of opinion that the only available course is the construction of a covered drain, to lead the surplus sewage to the Kistnamapett farm (about half-a-mile south of the Triplicane farm), where there is a considerable area of land available for the reception and disposal of sewage.

5. The construction of this covered drain will remove the first of the objections urged by Mr. Mackenzie against the establishment of the fishing village on the site recommended by Lieutenant-Colonel Morant, inasmuch as the area available at Kistnamapett is sufficiently large to allow of the surrender by the municipality of the site required for the village.

6. The second objection, on sanitary grounds, to the establishment of the village on a site which has been used for purposes of a sewage farm, has been referred to the Sanitary Commissioner, who is of opinion that there are no objections to the measure from a sanitary point of view, provided that the site be raised with sand, as contemplated by the Public Works Department, and that the sewage be diverted in the manner indicated in paragraph 4 of this order.

7. On full reconsideration of the subject, the Government resolve that the orders already issued in G.O., No. 959 W., dated 23rd April 1885, shall stand; and that the municipality be directed, in the Financial Department, to take immediate measures to prevent the farther fouling of the canal by the escape into it of sewage from the municipal drains; and with that object to construct without delay a covered drain for the purpose of conducting the sewage from the Triplicane siphon well to their farm at Kistnamapett.

8. A sum of Rs. 26,500 has been provided in the Provincial budget for 1885-87 to meet the estimated expenditure connected with the removal of the fishing village, and the Consulting Architect will at once make the necessary preliminary arrangements for the acquisition of the site on the beach. With respect to the covered drain to be constructed by the municipality, the Government will be willing to contribute from Provincial funds one-half the cost, to admit of the work being completed with the least practicable delay. On the municipality reporting what sum can be spent by 31st March 1886, an allotment of funds will at once be made as an advance towards the Government contribution.

9. The present open drain, which intersects the sewage farm, should be converted into a covered drain leading to the siphon well by a new line skirting the site of the proposed village. This work should be undertaken first, and its cost may be included in the total amount to be shared by the Government and the municipality.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Architect to Government.
" Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Financial Department.
" Revenue do.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of [1886] Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated January, 1886.

Read. *Encl.*

G.O., 25th Jan. 1886, No. 211 W.

JANUARY.

Fishing Village to the South of the Presidency College

Orders on the subject of acquiring the site of the — and for the transfer of the village to a new site west of the canal.

Note. 211

In their Proceedings dated 23-4-85, P. 989 W, the Govt. sanctioned certain proposals made by Lt. Colonel Bernard for acquiring the site of the Fishing Village to the South of the Presidency College, and transferring it to a new site, west of the Canal, at present vested by the Madras Municipality from the Dharmakartas of the Sri Parthasarthy Swami Temple & Triplicane.

After those proposals had received approval, the President of the Municipality drew attention to two objections thereto. First, that the site to which it is proposed to remove the fishermen forms part of a Municipal Sewage Farm, and that, in the event of that part of the Farm being taken for the village, the disposal of the Sewage would involve difficulty and expense. Second, that the removal of the village to a site touched with sewage Leases objections which necessitate further enquiries.

Subsequent to the receipt of Mr. Pemberton's letter detailing these objections, the Executive

of an alternative site for the fishing village has been fully investigated. Several suggestions have been brought forward, but to each there appeared to be insuperable objections; and Lt. Colonel Mercants original proposal was apparently the only practicable way out of the difficulty.

In order to investigate the objections raised thereto by Lt. Mackenzie, I yesterday met him and the Municipal Vice President on the ground, when the whole question was fully considered. It was clearly ascertained that the area now available for the Triplicane sewage farm is inadequate for the disposal of the sewage which is now conveyed there; that a large quantity of foul sewage now escapes into the Canal; and that additional & more complete arrangements for the utilisation of the sewage are absolutely necessary. These facts were patent, and were freely admitted by the Municipal President.

This being so, the only available course is the construction of a covered drain, to lead the surplus sewage to the Nictinampett farm (about half a mile South of the Triplicane farm) where there is a considerable area of land available for the reception & disposal of sewage. That such course was necessary was fully admitted by Mr Mackenzie; and the construction of the large drain above alluded to, from which the filthy sewage now freely flowing into the Canal, would concurrently with its adoption should be undertaken without loss of time.

The construction of this covered drain will remove the first of the objections raised by Mr Mackenzie against the establishment of the fishing village on the site recommended by Lt. Colonel Mercant,

increased as the Civil establishment at Kistnapatam is supposed large to allow of the necessary by the Municipality of the site required for the village.

The second objection, as Sanitary grounds, to the establishment of the village on a site which has been used for purposes of a sewage farm, does not seem well founded. The theory of such cultivation is that the taking off the manured land removes the gases and other offensive ingredients contained in the sewage — in addition to which the Colonel Inspector considers the expenditure of £3,000 in raising the site with sand brought from the beach, sufficient to prevent the ground from being saturated with sewage.

It is therefore submitted for consideration that the site already owned by S.O. of 23-4-87, should stand, and that the

The first thing to do is to settle question of Sanitary Commissioner on the Spot. Then the sanitary authorities might draw village clear of the sewage farm. Then sewage could be used by Government Farm

I suppose it is clear that the Municipal authorities do not want consecration for the land now occupied by Municipal sewage farm & which they have to buy. Building lots on the existing village is to be reserved for the benefit of the Government servants

Municipality should be directed to take immediate measures to prevent the further fouling of the land by the escape into it of sewage from the Municipal drains, and with that object to construct without delay a covered drain for the purpose of conducting the sewage from Triplicane to their Farm at Kistnapatam.

24-11-93

I suppose it is certain that it can have the ground for the amount proposed to be spent. This should be made quite clear

II The Sanitary Commissioner should be consulted. No one would however venture to put down his own house on a corrupted land that had been manured for a hundred years

III I am not at present advised indeed to agree with my hon Colleague in the view about the expense of the new drain. The present sewage farm is a dead failure. How can the Municipality be responsible for that

Minutes in Council

D.W.

I have discussed this matter with the Hon. Member & he concurs with me that the proposal to transplant the village to the site suggested by Lt. Col. Vincent must be abandoned.

Let the same town Clerk (or) are moved same time that the village should be removed from its present site, & am to request that a communication with C.A. You will consider some other suitable & possible site for the village.

Immediately South of the Old Ice-house, there is now a small village of the same nature, & the Hon. Member suggests that land might be acquired by Govt. contiguous to that village, & laid out in sanitary principles as a model fishing village. For this purpose, perhaps the Old Ice-house might be acquired. — If there is sufficient land round it for the purpose?

P.S. Land to the South of the Existing small village (on which there are now dwellings) Could some land be procured for [illegible]

W.

for Orders

R.1

Com 25/11/85 Ltr 26/11/85

might be required? If there be no sanitary objection?

Please think the matter over from all aspects. The communication with the Chisholm. I need not suggest that it may be as well not to make it public.

P.S. I presume that the alternative sites suggested above, south of the road, will be sufficiently near the Temple.

W.

3.6.85

W.

W.

With reference to G.O. No 959 W of 2.4.85, para 5, directing the C.A. to acquire the Fishermen's village south of the Presidency College, for the Madras Municipality, I beg to state, in his letter No 132 of 20th May, certain drawbacks connected with the locating of the Fishermen on the new sites proposed near the Temples.

This letter I forwarded to C.A. for remarks, & in his endorsement No 274 of 26th May, the Chisholm points out the difficulties of the position.

The President's proposal that the Fishermen provide accommodation for themselves elsewhere is opposed by the Temple authorities who insist on the Fishermen living in the immediate vicinity of the Temples.

On the other hands there are grave sanitary objections to the villages building on land which has been for some time occupied as a sewage farm.

In the circumstances I offer as a suggestion that the Fishermen be left where they are, & that part of the money which would have to be found for compensation on their removal be given to converting their habitations into a "model" fishing village, keeping it out properly, conserving it, & ameliorating it more or less. This suggestion was made to the Chisholm on my discussing with him the difficulties of the case.

The sanitary objection to the location of the Fishermen near the Temples might perhaps be referred to the Sanitary Commr for report.

Cld.
28.5.85

Rec. 25/11/85 Ans. 3/12/85

W.

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Mr. Chisholm thinks that requirements of the case will be sufficiently met if the fishing village is left where it is and remodelled. He would pull down the two front rows of houses. In the present front row stand the best houses belonging to the community. These he would rebuild on the line of the present second row of inferior dwellings, making the new buildings neat & tidy & setting them apart from each other - taking up extra ground to the south. Between these new houses & Marina he would plant casurinas, lay out ground &c.

This he proposes as the removal of the entire community will be, he thinks, a serious matter.

Whilst agreeing with him that the village as it now stands is more extensive & crowded than has apparently been imagined, I think its removal to the available ground near the ice-house the better plan. Immediately to the south of the ice-house there are a dozen or

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Conv. 25/11/05 L 3/12/05

so sufficiently substantial houses belonging I believe also to fishermen. To the south & west of these , if a few mud hovels of no value be taken down, there will be, I think, sufficient ground on which to lay out the model village desired. This is, in my opinion, the better solution, and the new village will be about the present village.-

But before proceeding further we have both decided that detailed surveys on a large scale of the present village & its immediate surroundings, and of the land adj$ining the Ice-house, will be absolutely necessary, to enable Govt. to come to a final decision as to what should be done.

I have asked Mr. Chisholm to find a temporary surveyor to undertake this work. At same time we must ascertain who are the owners of the ground near Ice-house on which I think the new huts should be erected. At present it is waste & seems to belong to no one, but doubtless claimants will spring up immediately it is known there is a demand for the ground.

D.W

To D.W.

I have shown this to the Hon: Member, who entirely approves of what is being done -

The completion of the surveys in progress must be awaited

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1-7-85

Notice

DH

3-7-85

Ref 1605

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DH

Await receipt of the further Communication promised.

CdS

5.8.85

To DW

(with file)

for perusal & return

DW

6-8-85

Municipal Office,

PUBLIC WORKS ~~CONSTRUCTION~~ DEPARTMENT.

Madras, 20th June 1885.

Reference No. 1 Attached to Report to President of the

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Copy of Govt Order

Communicating approval

of Pattamundai Village Tr.

Ltr. No.

Revenue Dept.

Edt. No. 1841 - 20-5-85 ad-

-dressed to myself & G.O.

No. 959 dt. 23-4-85 - Secy

Irrign. Dept. dt. 28-5-85.

P.W. 1605

Municipal Office,

PUBLIC WORKS ~~AND CONSERVANCY~~ DEPARTMENT,

Sydney 22nd March 1895.

A Deputation waited on the President of the Municipality, as suggested by Mayor Bowen.

In other respects the matter must stand over until my arrival in Sydney about end of October.

Please let me hear the papers then.

W.

25-4-95

W.

President reply received. Temple Bros. office, submitted with file.

Consider what to do when we have the returns to hand.

Cu 7.10.95

Lux

W.

To the Secretary

Cu

Dy 1605

C 24.4.95

Letter from C.A. of 4.6.83
W°. 6924 - W/111

Mr. Chesham should be requested to explain more fully the statements contained in para 2 of above letter.

The following points specially require to be cleared up:-

(1). Why will it be "impossible "to place the inhabitants "of the fishing village in "question with those "beyond the Tee-house?"

(2). To whom does the land beyond the Tee house belong?

(3). Who is it who "absolutely declines to "assist us"? & in what? and when?

W.

14.9.83

W. Mr Chisholm reply, with fair, submitted for return. Please see Mr C's note to

Municipal Office,

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Sir

Submitted
for orders with
complete file.

HB

3.9.5.

W. Sir orders.
I am instructed to recommend
this matter being left over
till your return to Headqrs
when the petitioner could be
asked to attend in
conjunction with all the authorities
concerned. So far as I can see
the action of the temple priests
will affect the fishermen on the Sea beach
only, & I presume their action
cannot be interfered with.
The most that Medical Inspector
might perhaps be requested by Sanitary
to enquire further into the matter
of the cause of sewage farm &c. He
may be able to state how far petitioners
complaint as to sewage farm for
building sites can best be supported.

Ed.
3.9.05

Municipal Office,

P. W. O. No. /1 2

Municipal Office.

Sanitary Commissioner's Office.

Please mark for
Hon. Sec. Master's file
& return to Conservancy
Circulate.

Cover addressed
accordingly & sent
per post 2/11/85

P. W. C. No. 45.2.

Municipal Office,

Sanitary Commissioner's Office

Please note Can be put up to Co. 27/2/11 for orders & be followed with necessary papers

Let me see what are the cases with Note

25/11/83

W Papers in the respective files could be sent in Circ.

The Précis will be like this — Mark if you think it necessary. Co

P. W. D. No. 15 2.

Municipal Office,

Public Works Department.

Sanitary Commissioner's Office,

Madras, 11 January 1886.

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My dear Mr. Stewart,

I have made enquiries as to the nature of the site to which it is proposed to transfer the Fishing village near the Presidency College, so far as I can ascertain this is the thing to prevent new houses for the fishermen being built there, provided the pre-

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P.W.C. No. 15.

Municipal Office,

9/1

Cantrell block pro
mentioned as having
the land with sand
& altering the Carpe
Lanes which can shall
be carried out.

Yours truly

Ridei

9/W

Please see Council
addition as now notified

Boundary
initialled, steps
will be taken to have
the roads formed
without delay.

Cc

29-1-86

Ref 1665

P. W. O. No. 45 C.

Municipal Office,

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P. W. O. No. 5 C.

Municipal Office,

PUBLIC WORKS ~~AND CONSERVANCY~~ DEPARTMENT.

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811 Madras, 20th May 1885.

From

C. J. Mackenzie Esqre
President, Municipal Commission.

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

Sir,

I have the honor to state that one Swaminathy Mudaliar has sent me a copy of G. O. No. 939 Marine 28th April 1885 and has called on me to remove a piece of ground which is now held by the Municipality from the Superintendent Temple Mudaliar on a lease which does not expire until June 30th 1886. The Mudaliar has also presented me with a copy of Colonel Hamilton's letter of 20th March 1858 upon which the Government order is based.

2 It does not appear that Government in granting the Conservancy compound to Temple Mudaliar intended to confer on him a perpetual lease. The Government order merely says that the land is to be given to him for the purposes of the Conservancy compound and that the Municipality may resume the land when required.

3 It is true that under the recollection of Government that the Conservancy compound which is above the sea level is required for the Municipality to exchange with the Port Trust which is below sea level and which is required by the Port Trust

[illegible] Sewage Farm. Reference may be made to the correspondence from the Local Board of the 22nd March 1875 with the extent of land required for the Sewage Farm as regards which it is expected that the Corporation will be enabled to make an agreement with the owner of the plot upon which it is proposed to form the Sewage Farm, and for the purchase of such land. The Sewage from the Town will be conveyed to the Sewage Farm by means of a Culvert which will be laid along the Canal bank to the Portsmouth Sewage Farm, but this route is considered unfavourable and objected to by the Canal Company. The Sewage would be kept to Stangate on the Canal and then turned into the Sewage Farm by means of a Culvert. The only means of alternative disposing of the Sewage is to construct a drain for half a mile down Chiswick Mall along the Canal bank to the Portsmouth Sewage Farm, but this route is considered unfavourable and objected to by the Canal Company. The only means of alternative disposing of the Sewage is to construct a drain for half a mile down Chiswick Mall along the Canal bank to the Portsmouth Sewage Farm, but this route is considered unfavourable and objected to by the Canal Company. The Sewage from the Town will be conveyed to the Sewage Farm by means of a Culvert which will be laid

respectfully ask if it is necessary
to furnish another plate for the fealiemen
& if they receive sufficient compensa-
tion they can be left to furnish
themselves for themselves

Have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obdt Servant

J. T. MacKaye
Sup. Recruit

Recruiting Commissioner

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L.C. No 2 dated 12.6.77
No 12 of Dated 26.5.85

L C A.

For early remarks

Dl

DW

26/5/85

No 274 dated 26-5-85

The position is a difficult one
The piece of land on which it is
proposed to build the Pathinavar hut
is the Municipal Sewage Farm
the lease expires on the 30th June.
The Temple people say we should
have the Pathinavar where they
are or on the Sewage Farm
the Temple purposes -
Can the Hon'ble and learned
Member the Advocate General
suggest perpetuate an immediate
order on the Hon'ble and learned
the Chairman of carrying out
a Public improvement

Draft letter
No 29 dated 29-5-85 & signed

1885

Madras Municipality.

From

The President,
Municipal Commission,
MADRAS.

To

The Secretary
to Government
P.W.D. Public Works Department

P.W.D. No. 432

Dated 28th
Despd. 29 May 1885
Read.

Enc.

Subject

Points not exclusively connected with the question of locating the Fishermen at Egmore Road on the Municipal Sewage farm suggested that they can be easily put forward to back out for recommendations for the said elsewhere, provided they are only allowed a fair consideration -

With Endorsements

P. W. D.

Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, Madras,
4th August 1885.

No. 694

From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras.

To

The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

Sir,

Enclosures.

Referring to your verbal orders on the subject of removing the fishing village lying to the south-east of the Presidency College I have the honor to inform you that I arranged a meeting with the Dharmakarta of the Triplicane Temple and fully discussed the various schemes for locating the Fishermen elsewhere.

2 According to the Dharmakarta's statements it will be impossible to place the inhabitants of the village in question with those beyond the Ice house. And they absolutely decline

3 From the statements made it seems to me that the only place for the Fishermen is that proposed by Lt. Col. Morand viz. the Sewage Farm. Although I quite enter into the objections to such a proceeding on sanitary grounds I am more of opinion that it will be better for the Fishermen themselves if Government carry out the original proposition as by so doing Government will merely be anticipating a few months the action which the Temple authorities will themselves take. The Dharmakarta assured me that the moment the lease falls in which will be on the 30th June 1886 next it is their intention to let the whole of the Farm ground in building lots, and we know perfectly well by experience that it will be taken up.

4 This what would appear at first sight an insanitary act will really be a considerable improvement

for the land filling which the Government contemplate executing will make the site far more habitable than the little surface drainage which the Temple authorities are likely to execute.

5 I may mention that the authorities have several times had offers for the land now occupied by the village and they only await the falling in of the lease of the Sewage Farm to sell it over the heads of the unfortunate Fishermen who will thus be compelled to remove without that compensation which the Government now provides.

6 Looked at from any point of view it is undoubtedly to the advantage of the Fishermen themselves that the Government should purchase their village and locate it on the Sewage Farm.

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I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obdt Servant

[illegible]

Comdg. Artld to Gait.

P. W. D.

Roads and Buildings.

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

The Secretary to Govt

P. W. Dept.

No. 694

Dated 4th August 1885.

Received

No. of Enclosures. 1

Subject.

Removal of the Jetty village near the Presy: College to the site of the Sewage Farm

P. W. D.

Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, Madras,
2nd September 1885.

No. 835

From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras,

To

The Secretary to Govt

P. W. Dept.

Sir,

Enclosure. 1 Letter.

In continuation of my letter No. 694 dated 4th August 1885 I have the honor to state that I send a copy of the same to the President of the Municipality and I now beg to forward to you his answer.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obdt. Servant
[illegible]
Consg. Archt. to Govt.

No. 59

Municipal Office,

Madras, [illegible] 1885.

From

President, Municipal Commission,

To,

Sir,

[illegible]

[illegible]

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Public Works Department.

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

The Secretary to Govt

P. W. Dept

No. 835

Dated 26 September 1885

Received

No 603 Dy 15 Sept 1885

No. OF ENCLOSURES. 1 Letter

Subject.

Removal of the

Fishing Village

at Chepauk

P. W. D.

No 603 Dy 15 Sept 1885.

Previous

The undersigned has the honour to request that the Consg. Architect to Govt. will be good enough to explain more fully the statement contained in para 2 of his letter No 694 dated 4th August 1885, relative to the proposed removal of the fishing village south of the Presy. College.

2. The following points especially require to be cleared up:—

(1) Why will it "be impossible to place the inhabitants of the village in relation with

with those beyond the Ice house

(2) To whom does the land beyond the Ice house belong?

(3) To whom is it who absolutely decline to assist us? In what? and why?

2. Your answer at an early date is requested.

15.9.65

C.A. to P.W.D.

P. W. D.

Confidential

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Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, Madras,
17th September 188.

No. 906

From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department

Sir,

I have the honor to state in reply to your Memo: No 603 dated the 15th instant;

1st I cannot say why it is impossible to place the inhabitants of the village in question with those beyond the Ice house.

2nd I enclose a plan shewing to whom the land belongs.

3d The Dharmakarthas refuse to assist us in removing the fishing village South of the Presidency College to the site near the Ice house. Why they do so, I cannot say for certain.

Enclosure.
tracing

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To explain the interview more fully, when I proposed to the Dharmakartha the scheme of the removal of the fishermen to the Ice house and explained that the Government would purchase the ground south of the Ice house to accommodate the fishermen, the first objection the Dharmakarthas made was that the distance of the Ice house plot from the temple was too great. I pointed out by measurement on the map that the respective distances of the two plots from the temple were identical. The Dharmakarthas then said that it was impossible to amalgamate the two villages, and when I pressed these gentlemen for reasons, they said that even under existing circumstances the temple authorities found difficulty owing to the proximity of the village south of the Ice house. The fishermen south of the Presidency College are the servants of the temple while those south of the Ice house are not the servants of the temple. that the two were of different castes and consequently they would fight and disagree and the work which the Presidency College fishermen perform at the temple would suffer, and further that it would be against the Dharmakarthas wish if the Presidency college fishermen were moved to the Ice house plot and that in this case they would not assist Government to carry out this scheme, in the same way that they would lend their assistance to the scheme of locating the fishermen on the Sewage Farm.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

B. Chisholme.
Engr Architect

Public Works Department.

P.W.Cor. 9237

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

The Chief Engineer

P. W. D.

No. 906

Dated 17 September 1885

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No. 660 Eg/25 Sept.

P.W.D.

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No. of Enclosures. 1

Subject.

Removal of the Fishing village South of the Presidency College.

Memo

with reference to
letter from the Comy. and
Offr. to the President
Madras Municipal Comm.
No. 695 dated 4th
August 1885, & the
President's reply No.
4,898 dated 1st Sept. 1885,
the undersigned is directed to request
that the Chairman will favor the Govt.
with any further
remarks he may have
to offer with respect
to the Comy. contention
that the Government
temple entrance
is held to be the
new frame in
building lots as

Govt.

Town as the Municipal Corporations. The President is also requested to note how his protest against the use of the newspapers for building site can be reported in the event of the Temple authorities carrying out their expressed intention.

(B. O.)

25.9.85

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To the President

Municipal Commissioners

Sept 25 1885

No. 694

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Municipal Office,

Madras, 25th September 1885.

From

C. A. Master Esqr.

President, Municipal Commission,

To

The Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a letter No. 6802 dated 22nd September 1885 from the Executive Engineer, Southern Division, Public Works Department, requesting the Municipal Commissioners to procure the land required for the Triplicane Police Station so as to commence it for the ensuing year.

2. As the Triplicane Municipality is deprived of the land which it was proposed to utilise for building purposes, Government can create such a site for the Police Station by reclaiming a portion of the Beach, and the Municipality will be glad to co-operate in the matter to the extent of providing the necessary earth for filling in the site, if Government will undertake to protect the reclaimed land by a suitable revetment wall. The Municipality will not be in a position to undertake any expenditure, even if funds are available, for any alternative scheme for the construction of a drain such as mentioned in the 4th paragraph of Secretariat Memo. No. 2[illegible] dated 22nd instant, as the Municipal funds are not sufficient to carry out even the most urgent works, and if any improvements pursuant to the latest proposals are to be carried out, the funds required should be provided by Government.

3. I would very respectfully request that the land might be handed over to the Municipality free of cost, as it is intended to be used for a purpose which is of benefit to the public generally, and not for the benefit of the Municipality alone.

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Madras Municipality.

FROM

THE PRESIDENT,
Municipal Commission,
MADRAS.

To

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Subject.

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The Principal
Presidency College draws
the attention of the Director
of Public Instruction to the
discomfort caused to teachers
in the College by reason of
the disagreeable effluvia
emanating from the fishing
village lying to the south
and suggested that, if the
village was acquired by
Government, the site might
be suitable for the erection
of Boarding Houses for
the students of the College.

In reporting on the

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suggestion, the Executive Architect informed Govt that the land on which the village was built belonged to the Dharmakartas of the Sri Parthasarthy-swami's temple, Triplicane, and that they were willing to part with it on the following terms:—

i The land to be purchased by Government at the rate of 200 Rs per ground (8 grounds going to one acre), together with the usual 25 years quit-rent which is always paid in purchasing freehold land.

ii A portion of the land

on the west of the land, now rented by the Municipality on a nine years lease (of which nearly 8 have passed) terminating on the 30th June 1886, be at once given back to the temple authorities and be raised at the Govt expense with earth so as to be above the reach of floods — on this raised land the new fishermen's houses will be erected, and

iii that a fair compensation be paid to the fishermen for the removal of their houses and huts from the site which it may be desired by Govt to acquire

the cost of the above
suggested demands was estimated
Archi at Rs 16,500.
that,
the Engg Architect
suggested a site to the
belo south west of the present
-kar village, to which the
-part fishermen had might be
Imp removed.
pur The Govt fully recognised
ter the great improvement to
i Madras that would be
effected by the removal
of the village, and authorised
the Engg Architect to
enter into negotiations for
the purchase of the
property. The site was
considered well adapted

Govt Proceedings dated 25.5.15

No 132 dated 20.5.15

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for some public building
and the Govt therefore
declined to allot any
portion of the land for the
erection of boarding houses.

Shortly after the
foregoing order issued, the
President of the Municipality
informed the Govt that
the ground on which it was
proposed to locate the
fishermen was a portion
of a pasture farm and
asked that the fact
might receive due consideration
The President thought
that if the fishermen
were sufficiently compen-
-sated, they could be

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off to find other homes
for themselves, but the
Consulting Architect assur-
-ed them that the Sanitar
Authorities were determined
to keep the fishermen
where they were, on or
the sewage farm, for
Sanitary purposes.

There were therefore
difficulties on both sides.
At this juncture two
suggestions were made
(1) to buy up the small
fishing village to the
south of the old Scheme
and lay out a model
village on the site
sufficient for all the
fishermen
(2) to remodel the

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village, taking up
the ground round it
if necessary.

The Consulting Architect
thereupon met the Sanita
thorities of the Sanitary
(to whom the sewage farm
and belonged) and
discussed the various
schemes with them. They
said it was impossible
to remove the fishermen
to the village to the south
of the Scheme, and
declined to assist the
Gst in furthering the
wishes in that direction.

In regard to the
sewage farm, the Consu
Architect reported that as
soon as the land to the

Municipality agreed,
May on 30th June 1886,) the
the whole of the Sewage Farm
land was to be let out
in building lots by the
Pharmakhatas.

In reply to a memorandum
the Engineer Architect & planner
that the Pharmakhatas
were unwilling to amalga-
mate the two villages,
as the inhabitants of one
were servants of the
temple while the others
were not; that the two
were of different castes,
and would therefore
disagree, while the temple
work would suffer.

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The Pharmakhatas were
willing to assist in the
scheme of locating the
fishermen on the Sewage
Farm.

The President of the
Municipality, in reply to
a reference, stated that
if the Municipality were
deprived of the Sewage
Farm it would be necessary
to construct, at considerable
cost, a drain southward
to the Kolvanpet
Sewage farm in order
to prevent the sewage
flowing into the sea,
thus fouling the beach
and poisoning the air.

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the alternative
was for Govt to acquire
the land and preserve
it for the Sewage Farm.

Mr Mackenzie
submitted that the
subject should not be
regarded from the point
of view taken by Mr
Chisholm, who had asked
him to withdraw his
"objections". He had
simply submitted to Govt
certain substantial physical
facts which could not
be affected by any
withdrawal on his part.

If the P.W.D. & Parks

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suggest any other solution
of the difficulty Mr
Mackenzie would be
most happy to adopt
it.

H.B.
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Office of Sanitary Comr.
Madras 5th December 1878

From.

Surgeon Major J. A. Laing
Inspector of Vaccination and
Dep. Sanitary Commissioner
Madras

To

Col. J. H. M. Shaw Stewart
Secretary to Government.
P. W. Department.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 2036
dated 3rd December I have the honor
to state that I am of opinion that
there are no objections from a Sanitary
point of view in locating the fishing
village on the site proposed.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servant.

Jas. Anderson Laing
Surgeon Major
Inspector of Vaccination
and Dep Sanitary Comr.
Madras

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the January 25 1886

Again

READ the following

G.O. Public W. Dept No 959 W dy 23 April 1885

Read also

From the President Madras Mun! Commrs No 1302 dy 20.5.85

" " C.A.D. Govt No 274 dy 26.5.85.

" " Do " 694 dy 4.8.85.

" " Do " 8033 dy 2.9.85.

" " Do " 906 dy 17.9.85.

" " President Madras M.C. No 8244 dy 29.9.85.

" " Dy. Sanitary Commrs " 1151 dy 5.12.85.

" Dy. Surgn Genl H. Bidie, M.D., C.I.E., Sanitary Commrs dy 11.1.86.

In their Proc. dated 23d April 1885. No 959 W. the Govt sanctioned certain improvements made by the Committee, Architect for acquiring the site of the fishing village

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to the south of the Presidency College, and transferring the Village to a new site, west of the Canal, at present rented by the Madras Municipality from the Dharmakartas of the Sri Parthasarathi Swamis Temple in Triplicane.

After these proposals had received approval, the President of the Municipality drew attention to two objections thereto. First, that the site to which it is proposed to remove the fishermen formed part of a municipal sewage farm, and that in the event of that part of the farm being taken for

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for the Village, the disposal of the sewage would involve difficulty & expense. Second, that the [illegible] of the Village [illegible] on the site of an old sewage farm [illegible] objectionable on sanitary grounds.

3. Subsequent to the receipt of the Municipal letter detailing these objections, the question of an alternative site for the fishing Village was fully investigated. Several suggestions were brought forward, but in each there appeared to be insuperable objections; and that of Col. Moraud's proposal was apparently the only practicable one, was sent to the Superintendent

4. In order to meet the objections raised by the Presidency of the Municipality, the Chief Engineer P.W.D. Dept. report that he met the President & the Municipal Vice President & the Municipal Engineer, when the whole question was fully considered. It was ascertained that the area now available for the Triplicane sewage farm is inadequate for the disposal of the sewage which is now conveyed there; that a considerable quantity of that sewage now escapes into the Canal; and that additional and more complete

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complete arrangements for the utilisation of the sewage are absolutely necessary. This being so, the Govt are of opinion that the only available course is the construction of a covered drain, to lead the surplus sewage to the Kasturinaickenpett farm (about half a mile south of the Triplicane farm) where there is a considerable area of land available for the reception & disposal of sewage.

5. The construction of this covered drain will remove the first of the objections urged by the Municipal

Agent.

against the establish-
ment of the fishing
Village on the site
recommended by Lt. Col.
Morant, - inasmuch
as the area available
at Kistnamapett is
sufficiently large to
allow of the curvature
by the Municipality
of the site required
for the Village.

6. The second objection
on sanitary grounds to
the establishment of
the Village on a site
which has been used
for purposes of a sewage
farm, has been referred
to the Sanitary Commr.
who is of opinion that
there are no objections
to the measure
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from a sanitary point
of view, provided the
site be raised with
sand as contemplated
by the P.W. Dept. &
that the sewage be diverted in
the manner indicated
in para 4 of this order.

7. On full re-con-
sideration of the subject,
the Govt. resolve that
the orders already
issued in Rev. No 959
of 23 April 1885 shall
stand; and that the
Municipality be
directed in the Financial
dept. to take immediate
measures to prevent
the further flooding
of the Canal by the
escape into it of
sewage from the
Municipal

4 Municipal drains;
and with that object
to construct without
delay a covered drain
for the purpose of
conducting the sewage
from the sipphon well
from Tripleone to them
farm at Kachanapeti

8. A sum of $6,
26,500 has been pro-
vided in the Provincial
Budget for 1886-87
for other services to meet
the estimated expenditure
connected with the
removal of the fishing
village, & the Consy.
Architect will at
once make the necessary
preliminary arrange-
ments for the acquisition
of

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of the site on the
with respect to the
covered drain to be
constructed by the
Municipality, the
will be willing to
for the purpose
Corporation and be
the Govt to admit
of the work being
completed with the
least practicable
delay.

On the Municipality
reporting what sum
can be spent before
31st March 1886, an
allotment of funds
will at once be made as
an advance towards
the Government

Con. Art Dept. ✓
Despatch in manuscript 25-1-86
S. G. ✓ Audr ✓
Gen Pro Accts ✓
Financial Dept ✓
Rev. Dept ✓

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Hon. H. E. Sullivan.

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Contributions

9 - The present open drain which intersects the Seven farm, should be converted into a covered drain leading to the effluent well by a new line skirting the site of the proposed village. This would should be undertaken first, and its cost may be included in the total amount to be shared by the Govt. & the Municipality.

W.L.

Encl. 10/10 Memo

Govt. of Assam.
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