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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General
Account

READ—the following letter from J. W. RUNDALL, Esq., Superintending Engineer, II Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Gudivada, 14th September 1887, No. 984 K.S. :—

I have the honor to surrender the following sums under :—

Provincial.
Civil Buildings.
Original Works.

Repairing Collector's residence at Masulipatam	...	...	...	Rs. 2,165
Constables' huts at Bezvada	...	...	...	1,738
Total	...	...	...	3,903

2. Out of the sum now surrendered, I request you will be so good as to allot Rs. 1,170 for the work "constructing a treasury office in front of the treasury room in the compound of the Gudivada taluk outcherry."

ORDER—dated 28th September 1887, No. 2577 W., Public Works.

The following sums surrendered by the Superintending Engineer, II Circle, are resumed and credited to the Provincial reserve with the Government, from which an appropriation of Rs. 1,170 is made for the construction of a treasury office in front of the treasury room in the compound of the Gudivada taluk office :—

(1) Repairing the Collector's residence at Masulipatam	...	...	...	Rs. 2,165
(2) Constables' huts at Bezvada	...	...	...	1,738
Total	...	...	...	3,903

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, II Circle.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Judicial Department.
" Revenue "

Exd. J. Moses.
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GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Gobt. of (1887) Madras
PUBLIC WORKS

Dated September, 28th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 28th Sept. 1887, No. 2577 W.

SEPTEMBER.

Funds

Certain surrender of — by the Superintending Engineer, II Circle, resumed and credited to the Provincial reserve with the Government, and Rs. 1,170 appropriated for the construction of a treasury office in front of the treasury room in the compound of the Gudivada taluk office.

4TH FEBRUARY 1887, No. 274 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read—the following paper :—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th December 1886, Mis. No. 9033.

Read—the following papers :—

From J. THOMSON, Esq., Acting Collector, Kistna District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 20th October 1886, No. 3910.

I have the honor to submit a plan and an estimate for Rs. 1,170 for the construction of a treasury office in front of the treasury room in the Gudivada taluk cutcherry, the treasury room having already been constructed agreeably to G.O., No. 1821 W., Public Works, of the 28th July 1884.

2. The new treasury room is not connected with the main cutcherry building and has no accommodation for the Sheristadar and his shroff. It is, therefore, proposed to build an additional room for them directly opposite.

3. The treasury room site would seem to have been unfortunately selected away from the main building. It may be that it is in the only suitable place; but at all events the Sheristadar must be in its vicinity.

4. I request, therefore, that the work may be sanctioned and funds placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department out of any savings.

From R. SEWELL, Esq., Acting Collector, Kistna District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 19th November 1886, No. 4472.

Referring to the Board's Reference on General Register No. 5657, dated the 1st instant, I have the honor to submit, herewith, the plan and estimate of the Gudivada taluk cutcherry, duly countersigned.

Resolution—dated 7th December 1886, Mis. No. 9033.

The plan and estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,170, for adding a room to the new treasury in the Gudivada taluk cutcherry, are submitted for the sanction of Government and for the provision of funds in the Public Works Department. It is stated that the present treasury does not afford accommodation for the Sheristadar and his shroff.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. A. SIM,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

Mis. No. 448, Revenue.

Approved and transferred to the Public Works Department for the necessary orders.

2. The Board will ascertain and report, for the information of Government, why the site on which the treasury room has been built, and which is represented by the

Collector to be unsuitable, was selected, and whether any objection was made to it by the Revenue authorities at the time.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
22nd January 1887.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Secy. to Govt.

ORDER—dated 4th February 1887, No. 274 W., Public Works.

The estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,170, for adding a room to the new treasury in the Gudivada taluk office, is sanctioned, and the amount is allotted from the Provincial reserve with the Government.

2. This sanction has been registered as Provincial, No. 173 W. of 1886-87, and classified as Civil Buildings, Original Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, II Circle, with two enclosures.

- „ Examiner, Public Works Accounts, with the abstract estimate for note and return to Superintending Engineer, II Circle.
- „ Revenue Department.

Encl. P. L. Pereira.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of Madras
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated February, 4th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 4th Feb. 1887, No. 274 W.

FEBRUARY.

Treasury in the Gudivada
Taluk Office

Estimate of Rs. 1,170 for adding a room
to the new —, sanctioned, and funds pro-
vided.

3RD JUNE 1887, No. 540, REVENUE.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following G.O., dated 24th March 1887, Mis. No. 1858, Revenue:—

Read—the following official memorandum from J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Secretary
to Government, Revenue Department, dated 4th March 1887, No. 63, on
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th February 1887, No. 1275:—

Forwarded to the Public Works Department for favor of an expression of opinion
as to the necessity of the repairs for which the estimate received with this paper pro-
vides.

2. Reference is solicited to G.O., Revenue Department, dated 21st April 1886,
No. 294, from which it will be seen that the Executive Engineer considered that the
building should be either reconstructed or abandoned, that the Superintending Engineer
expressed grave doubts as to its stability, and that the Board of Revenue urged the
necessity of undertaking the construction of an entirely new residence for the Collector.

3. Whilst such is the case, now is submitted an estimate stated to have been
prepared by the Superintending Engineer, but unaccompanied by a report of a Public
Works Department officer, for Rs. 11,074 for the repair of this building. Adding the
amount of this estimate to the sum paid for the purchase of the building in 1880
(Rs. 20,000) and the cost of repairs since then executed (Rs. 7,420), its total cost
comes to, in round numbers, Rs. 38,500.

4. Information is requested as to whether the repairs now proposed would so far
secure the stability of the building as to obviate the necessity for reconstructing or
abandoning it, and, if not, whether it may not, by a smaller outlay, be rendered safe
and serviceable until a new residence can be provided for the Collector. Looking into
the details of the estimate now submitted, it is observed that provision is made for the
repair of a plunge bath-room at a cost of Rs. 397. The necessity for this is hardly
apparent.

To the Public Works Department, with ten enclosures and eight maps.

Copy to the Board of Revenue, for information.

No. 975-C.

Forwarded to the Superintending Engineer, II Circle, for full report on the
several points noticed in the Revenue Department order.

2. A large estimate like this should not have been submitted without a detailed
report and specification.

3. The very early return of these papers is requested. Meanwhile, the attention
of the Revenue Department will be drawn to G.O., No. 1215-W., dated 13th May
1886, in which the estimate was called for.

CHEPAUK,
15th March 1887.

(Signed)

J. O. HASTED, Col., R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

Copy forwarded to the Revenue Department.

(By Order.)

(Signed) W. L. C. BADDELEY, Capt., R.E.,
Under Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Revenue Department.

Order—dated 24th March 1887, Mis. No. 1858, Revenue.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

READ—also the following G.O., dated 26th March 1887, Mis. No. 1904, Revenue :—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th February 1887, Mis. No. 1275 :—

Read—the following letter from R. SEWELL, Esq., Acting Collector of Kistna, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 10th February 1887, No. 603 :—

I have the honor to forward, herewith, plans* and estimates† prepared by the Superintending Engineer, II Circle, amounting to Rs. 11,074, for repairing the Collector's residence at Masulipatam, and to request that the Board will be pleased to obtain the sanction of Government for proceeding with the work during this dry season. The repairs are very urgently

* 8 plans sent per packet post.
† 8 abstract estimates.
1 General abstract.

necessary, part of the house being in very bad order.

Resolution—dated 24th February 1887, Mis. No. 1275.

The plans and estimates for Rs. 11,074, for repairing the Collector's residence at Masulipatam, are submitted for the sanction of Government and for provision of funds in the Public Works Department. The Collector states that the repairs are very urgently necessary.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) M. HAMMICK,
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with letter and enclosures in original to be returned.

Copy to the Collector of Kistna.

Order—dated 26th March 1887, Mis. No. 1904, Revenue.

Recorded with reference to G.O., Mis. No. 1858, dated 24th March 1887, pending receipt of further communication from the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

READ—also the following G.O., dated 27th April 1887, Mis. No. 2421, Revenue :—

Read—the following letter from R. SEWELL, Esq., Acting Collector of Kistna, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Masulipatam, 30th March 1887, No. 1421 :—

With reference to Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, recording Revenue Department official memorandum No. 63, dated the 4th instant, relating to the repairs of my house here, may I be permitted respectfully to state the case on my own account.

2. I think that the question whether the repairs now proposed would so far secure the stability of the building as to obviate the necessity for reconstructing or abandoning it, may be answered in the affirmative. However, the Public Works Department will be better able to give reliable reply than myself. I do not think it can be rendered safe and serviceable by anything short of the measures now proposed. The central block is in good order, but the wings are dangerous. Two large rooms have to be abandoned altogether, as it is not safe to inhabit them, nor is it safe to use the rooms over them.

3. The question whether a new residence altogether should be built depends on the final settlement by Government of the question of the removal of the district head-quarters to Bezvada. Government have for the present declined to order this removal (G.O., dated 21st April 1886, No. 294, Revenue). Still I think Government would hardly be prepared now to go to considerable outlay on the erection of a new house for the Collector, since there is always a chance that a removal of the head-quarters to Bezvada may, at some time, appear reasonable, especially now that two railways will soon have their terminuses there. Meanwhile, therefore, I respectfully submit that it seems wisest to repair the present building.

4. Repairs to the plunge bath may be omitted, though the name does not clearly define the building which is really a detached bungalow, with a swimming bath attached to it. It contains a good sized room with dressing-room and bath-room and verandah round, besides the bath.

5. It is very useful when I have the house full, as there are no good trees in the compound for pitching tents under, in hot weather. The trees are single and scattered.

Order—dated 27th April 1887, Mis. No. 2421, Revenue.

Transferred to the Public Works Department for consideration, together with the report called for in paragraph 1 of the endorsement in that Department, No. 975-C, dated 15th March 1887.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.

READ—the following letter from G. D. WYBROW, Esq., Superintending Engineer, II Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Bezvada, 28th April 1887, No. 136-K.S. :—

With reference to your memorandum No. 975-C, dated the 15th March 1887, I have the honor to report on the several points noticed by the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, in his memorandum No. 63, dated the 4th March 1887.

1. In compliance with G.O., No. 1215-W., dated the 15th May 1886, an estimate was framed by the Executive Engineer (Mr. J. D. Grant) for putting the Collector's house into thorough repair. This estimate, amounting to Rs. 13,683, was submitted by the Executive Engineer in August 1886.

2. As the amount of this estimate was so large, I took an opportunity of inspecting the building with the Collector (Mr. R. Sewell) with a view to ascertain whether it would not be better to abandon the building and erect a new one; but after carefully going over the building, I came to the conclusion, and with which I believe Mr. Sewell concurred, that, considering the size and convenience of the house, it would be the best course to repair the present building both in the interest of Government and the Collector. In going through the estimate, I found that certain items might be omitted and the estimate was reduced to Rs. 11,074.

3. It is true that Mr. Grant, when frequently called on for estimates for the repair of the building by Mr. Weld, stated that he thought it would be the cheapest course to abandon the present house and build a new one. Considering, however, the large outlay already incurred, I do not recommend so stringent a course. I am of opinion that if the present estimate be carried out, the building will be put into a secure and thorough state of repair, and that there will be no necessity for abandoning it. Without repairing it thoroughly, I would not recommend any smaller repairs. In attempting to repair an old building it is better to do it thoroughly or leave it alone. When once you begin to renew rotten timbers, &c., there is no knowing when to stop. Under these circumstances, I would respectfully beg to recommend the present estimate, amounting to Rs. 11,074, for sanction.

4. With reference to the swimming bath, as this constitutes a part of the out-buildings attached to the house, an estimate for its repair was also submitted.

5. One point I have omitted to mention, viz., that the eastern wing of the house has been repaired and rendered safe, in anticipation of sanction of the enclosed estimate, under the orders of Colonel Morant. When he gave the order to commence the repairs, he probably thought that the amount of the estimate would come within his sanction. The amount expended is Rs. 1,909.

No. 81-D.

Forwarded, with enclosures, to the Revenue Department with reference to its memorandum No. 63, dated 4th March 1887, and to G.O., Public Works Department, dated 13th May 1886, No. 1215-W.

2. It seems clear that nothing short of the measures now proposed will render the building secure, and that if those measures be carried out, the necessity for constructing a new residence for the Collector will be obviated.

3. With advertence to the question of reducing the rent of the building—*viz.* the Collector's letter printed with Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 723, dated 25th March 1886, and paragraph 2 of G.O., dated 21st April 1886, No. 294, it is observed that if the large outlay now proposed be incurred, the rent fixed in G.O., No. 2662-W., dated 29th October 1884, will be by no means excessive. The figure moreover corresponds with the rate of rent for a Collector mentioned in G.O., dated 20th November 1884, No. 2501. Reference is also solicited to G.O., dated 27th January 1885, No. 215-W.

4. The Collector's letter forwarded with Revenue Department endorsement No. 2421, dated 7th April 1887, is returned herewith.

OCTACAMUND,
9th May 1887.

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Col., R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the Revenue Department, with original papers (including eight plans).

ORDER—dated 3rd June 1887, No. 540, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

As it is now reported by the Superintending Engineer, that the building occupied by the Collector at Masulipatam can be put into a thorough state of repair and rendered quite safe by the measures proposed, the estimates submitted therefor will be approved and retransferred to the Public Works Department for final orders.

2. In view of the proposed outlay on the building the Government concur in the opinion expressed in paragraph 2 of the memorandum read above, that the rent for the building fixed in G.O., dated 29th October 1884, No. 2662-W., should not be reduced.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department, with twelve
enclosures and eight maps returned.
„ the Commissioners of Land Revenue.

Exd. W. H. French.

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Gobt. of [1887] Madras.
REVENUE.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 3rd June 1887, No. 540.

JUNE.

Collector's House at Masulipatam.

Estimate for repairing the —, approved and retransferred to the Public Works Department for final orders.

21st JUNE 1887, No. 1668 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers:—

G.O., dated 3rd June 1887, No. 540, Revenue.

Note by the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

It is doubtful whether tar and sand are suitable for covering a terraced roof in a very hot locality like Masulipatam. It was tried on the Marine Villa, Cocanada, and is understood to have failed there. Regarding this, the Superintending Engineer should communicate with the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, and, if necessary, substitute good plaster. Tar and sand, if properly mixed, make a good flooring, but great care is required in laying it.

2. If the doors and windows of outhouses have been tarred previously, they can be treated in the same way again; otherwise, painting is preferable, and will not cost much more.

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Colonel R.E.,
Chief Engineer, P.W.D.
18th June 1887.

ORDER—dated 21st June 1887, No. 1668 W., Public Works.

The estimate, amounting to Rs. 11,074, for repairing the Collector's residence at Masulipatam, is sanctioned.

2. An expenditure of Rs. 1,909 has already been incurred on the work, and the balance of the estimate, Rs. 9,165, is allotted from the Provincial reserve with the Government.

3. The attention of the Superintending Engineer is drawn to the Chief Engineer's note above recorded, and to paragraph 2 of the order, in the Revenue Department, relative to the rent of the building.

4. This sanction has been registered as Provincial, No. 37 W. of 1887-88, and classified as Civil Buildings, Original Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, II Circle, with eighteen enclosures.
Superintending Engineer, I Circle.
Engineer, Public Works Accounts, with general abstract estimate.
Revenue Department.

Enc. E. Fernandez
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CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of 1887 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

2577 ✓
Dated June, 21st.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 21st June 1887, No. 1668 W.

JUNE.

Collector's Residence at
Masulipatam

Estimate of Rs. 11,074, for repairing the
—, sanctioned with remarks.

No. 984 K

From

Superintending Engineer's Office
2nd Circle Camp Gudivada

14th September 1887
P.O. 16-100.

To
J. W. Runtall Esquire
Superintending Engineer 2nd Circle

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department
Madras

Sir

I have the honor to surrender the following

sums under

Provincial

Civil Buildings

Original Works

Repairing Collector's Residence at Masulipatam Rs. 2,165 ✓

Constables' huts at Bezuvada ————— Rs. 1,738 ✓

Total - Rs. 3,903

2. Out of the sum now surrendered, I request
you will be so good as to allot Rs. 1170 for the
work "Constructing a Treasury Office in front of
the Treasury room in the compound of the Gudivada
Taluk Cakherry."

I have the honor to be

Sir
Your Most Obedt. Servant

J. W. Runtall

Superintending Engineer 2nd Circle

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To
The Supt Engineer
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To
The Chief Engineer
Public works Dept

No 984 K.S.

Dated 14 Sept 1887
13.20.9.87

Provincial Civil
Buildings & Works
Surrenders certain
sums under—
and requests to
allot Rs 1170 for
constructing a Treasury
Office at Guduvada

23.9.87

B. J. J. J.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 28.5. Sept 1887.

Read the following

From the Supt. Engineer II Circle. H.E. No 984 K.S. d/14. September 1887

The following sums surrendered
by the Supt. Engineer II Circle are
resumed and credited to the Provincial
reserve with the Govt, from which an
appropriation of Rs 1,170 is made for the
construction of a treasury office in front
of the Treasury room in the compound
of the Guduvada taluk office:—

(1) Repairing the collector's residence at Masulipatam	Rs 2,165
(2) Constables' huts at Bezvada	1,738
Total Rs.	3,903.

To The Supt. Engr II Circle ✓
" Examiners of P.W. Acts ✓
" Judicial Department ✓
" Revenue Department ✓

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GOVT. OF INDIA

PUBLIC WORKS.

27/9/17

Dated

At

For

G.O. 27/9/17, No. 2577 W.

Income

Certain Surveys by
the S.E. II Circle resumed
and credited to the Provincial Revenue
and Rs 1170 appropriated
for the construction
of a treasury office
in front of the treasury
room in the compound
of the Gudivada
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