

- (1) பக்கங்களின் எண்ணிக்கை 10  
 (2) புதுக்கித் திருப்பிய நாள் 21.6.88  
 (3) ஆதாரங்குறிப்பவர் சுருக்கொப்பம் 60x

தமிழ்நாடு ஆவணக் காப்பகம்.

தமிழ்நாடு அரசு

பெரியபாளையம் துறை

அரசாணை எண். 1519.W.  
 மு. கோப்புத் தாள்-எண்.

அச்சகம்  
 பஸ்கை

நாள் : 23.5.1888.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.  
Account.

READ—the following letter from A. REA, Esq., M.R.A.S., First Assistant, Archæological Survey, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Amarāvati, 20th April 1888, No. 188:—

In continuation of my letter No. 138, dated the 26th March 1888, to the Director-General of the Archæological Survey, requesting that the balance of the grant of Rs. 500, sanctioned for excavation last official year, should be continued to this year; and that I might be allowed to draw on the further grant of Rs. 400, sanctioned for Guntupalle, for work at Amarāvati, and with reference to G.O. No. 374, dated the 7th instant, I have the honor to remark as follows:—

2. In the work of excavation at (1) Bezvāda, (2) Jiligerigudem near Guntupalle, (3) Pogandanidibba, (4) Sakaladanidibba near Pedda Ganjam, (5) Kollitippa, (6) Kanuparti, and (7) Motupalle, the sum expended amounted to Rs. 227-15-3, and at all of these places I made important discoveries.

3. Of the original grant of Rs. 500, this left a balance of Rs. 272-0-9 for work at the Amarāvati stūpa. This, however, is hardly sufficient for the extensive work being carried out here. I will be able to finish the work at Amarāvati, so far as this season is concerned, by drawing on the Guntupalle grant to the extent of Rs. 300, or a total for this past season of Rs. 800. Rs. 163-4-9 were actually charged in the accounts for 1887-88, leaving a balance of Rs. 636-11-3 brought forward to the grant for 1888-89.

4. Of the work at Amarāvati, I may state I have got a number of marbles at the hitherto unexplored Kuchidibba and, at the stūpa itself, have up to date unearthed over seventy sculptures: most of them are large, and several have inscriptions. The finest discovered as yet are one of the upper panels of the rail, 6 feet 7½ inches long by 2 feet 8 inches broad, with figures and running scroll on one side, and fifty-two closely-grouped figures, &c., on the other; and a splendid panel, 5 feet 4 inches high by 3 feet broad (in four pieces), showing the representation of a stūpa with rail, &c., complete. The minuteness of the work resembles ivory carving, and the panel itself is almost a replicate of the bas-relief in the India Museum, illustrated by Fergusson in pl. 17 of his *History of Indian and Eastern Architecture*. Though the design is different, the general appearance of the panel is somewhat similar to, though slightly smaller than, the fine one framed in the Central Museum at Madras.

Referred to the Public Works Department, in continuation of endorsement dated 19th April 1888.

(By Order.)

(Signed) W. S. MEYER,  
Assistant Secretary.

10th May 1888.

ORDER—dated 23rd May 1888, No. 1519 W., Public Works.

A sum of Rs. 637, being the estimated amount required for expenditure by Mr. Rea during 1888-89, will be placed at his disposal from the reserve with the Government for the conservation of archæological works.

(True Extract.)

To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

" Public Department.

" Superintending Engineer, I Circle.

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Exd. F. R. Bantleman.  
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GENERAL  
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of 1888 Madras.  
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 23rd.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 23rd May 1888, No. 1519 W.

MAY.

Archæological Works

Placing a sum of Rs. 637 at the disposal of Mr. Rea, being the estimated amount required during 1888-89 for the conservation of —.

ARCHÆOLOGICAL SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

*Amravati: 20<sup>th</sup> April 1888.*

No. 188.

From

*A. Rea, Esquire, M.R.A.S.*

FIRST ASSISTANT,

To

*The Chief Secretary  
to the Government of Madras.*

SIR,

In continuation of my letter No 138 dated the 26<sup>th</sup> March 1888, to the Director General of the Archaeological Survey, requesting that the balance of grant of Rs 500, sanctioned for excavation last official year, should be continued to this year, and that I might be allowed to draw the further grant of Rs 400 — sanctioned for Guntupalle — for work at Anuravati, and with reference to G.O. No 374, dated the 7<sup>th</sup> instant, I have the honour to remark as follows.

2. In the work of excavation at (1) Begur, (2) Jiliginigudem near Guntupalle; (3) Beguradavilthla and (4) Ishalladavilthla near Redda Ganga; (5) Kallitip, ~~and~~ (6) Kanyapatti; and (7) Mottupalle, the sum expended, amounted to Rs 227-15-5, and at all of these places I made important discoveries.

3. Of the original grant of Rs 500, this left a balance of Rs 272-8-9 for work at the Anuravati Stupa. This however, is hardly sufficient for the extensive work being carried out here. I will be able to finish the work at Anuravati so far as this season is concerned by drawing on the Guntupalle grant to the extent of Rs 300, or a total for this past season, of Rs 800.

Rs 163-11-7 were actually charged in the accounts for 1887-88, leaving a balance of Rs 636-11-3 brought forward to the grant for 1888-89.

4. Of the work at Amaravati, I may state I have got a number of marbles at the hitherto unexplored Kuchi ditto; and at the stupa itself have up to date unearthed over seventy sculptures: most of them are large <sup>and several have inscriptions</sup>. The finest discovered as yet, are one of the upper panels of the rail, 6 feet  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches <sup>broad</sup> by 2 feet 8 inches, with figures and running scroll on one side, and 52 closely grouped figures <sup>on the other</sup>; and a splendid panel 5 feet 11 inches <sup>high</sup> by 3 feet <sup>broad</sup> (in four pieces), showing the representation of a stupa with rail &c complete. The minuteness of the work resembles ivory carving, and the panel itself is almost a duplicate of the bas-relief in the India Museum, illustrated by Fergusson in pt. 17 of his History of Indian and Eastern architecture. Though the design is different, the general appearance of the panel is somewhat similar to, — though slightly smaller than, — the fine one framed in the Central Museum at Madras.

I have the honour to be  
Sir

Your most obedient servant

A. N. C.

Archaeological Surveyor.

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CURRENT No.

1609  
P.W.C. No. 483  
Public Department.

Rs. 12700 a/c 5.88 - 3280 a/c 12.87  
1009 a/c 3.88 - 3471 a/c 19.12.87  
749 a/c 3.88 - 3056 a/c 12.11.87  
1853 a/c 11.7.87 - 1696 a/c 24.6.87  
1353 a/c 17.5.87  
1512 a/c 15.6.86  
1519 a/c 23.10.86

A sum of Rs. 637  
being the estimated  
amount required  
for expenditure by  
the P.W.D. during 1888-89  
will be placed at  
his disposal from  
the reserve with  
the Government  
for the conservation  
of archaeological  
works.

From

A. R. Esq  
Archaeological Surveyor

No. 188

Dated 20 } April 88  
Received 26 }  
Enclosures 14.5.88

SUBJECT.

Regarding the continuance of  
the balance of the grant of Rs. 500  
sanctioned for the first  
official year



2710 May 88  
Referred to the Public Works  
Dept. in continuation of previous  
memo. of 18.4.86 dated  
19.4.1887 (Mysore)  
W. W. Esq  
Assistant Secretary

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The Exd. Mr. Esq.  
Mr. Esq.  
Public Dept.  
Supt. Engr. I. Esq.  
Supt. Engr. II. Esq.  
Supt. Engr. III. Esq.  
Supt. Engr. IV. Esq.  
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Supt. Engr. XXIX. Esq.  
Supt. Engr. XXX. Esq.

Govt. of (1888) Madras.  
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G.O. 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1888, No. 1579W

Archaeological Works.

Placing a sum of Rs 637  
at the disposal of Mr. R. S.  
being the estimated amount  
required during 1888-89  
for the conservation of —

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