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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers :—

From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, 2nd July 1883, No. 123 C.W.

As directed in your letter, No. 83 E., of 4th May 1883, I have the honor to forward, herewith, the complete estimate of Government House, Ootacamund. The accompaniments of this letter are as follow :—

1 Report * with Appendix.
1 Specification.†
20 Plans.†
4 Comparative Statements.‡
25 Detail edEstimates with Abstracts.‡
1 List showing the different Sub-heads of the Estimate.§
1 List of Plans.‖
1 General Abstract Estimate.¶

* Sent herewith.
† In a separate cover.
‡ Do. do.
§ With the bundle of estimates.
‖ With the bundle of plans.
¶ Will follow.

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From the same Officer, dated Wellington, 3rd July 1883, No. 151 C.

In submitting the estimate for completing Government House and furnishing it, I did not send copies of the sanctioned plans and elevations of the main building, as these were submitted with the sanctioned estimate of February 1882, and there are copies with the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, as well as possibly in your own office. But, lest they should be wanted, I have now the honor to send you the copies that were sent me with G.O., No. 346 W., of 1st February 1883.

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"Report" on Estimate, dated 4th July 1883.

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ORDER—dated 9th July 1883, No. 1915 W., Public Works.

Ordered to be forwarded to the Government of India.

(Here enter No. 1916 W., dated 9th July 1883.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, with copy of Report.
„ Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, with copy of Report.
„ Financial Department.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

# Govt. of {1883} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

*Dated July, 9th.*

*Read.* *Encl.*

**G.O., 9th July 1883, No. 1915 W.**

**JULY.**

**Government House, Ootacamund**

*Ordered that the complete estimate for* — be forwarded to the Government of India.

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*Report to accompany the Estimate for completing the construction of Government House at Ootacamund and for furnishing it, called for in letter from the Government of India, No. 87, of the 13th January* 1883.

Owing to the yearly increasing difficulties of securing a suitable residence for His Excellency the Governor and Staff at Ootacamund, during the annual hot-weather sojourn of Government on the Nilgiri Hills, it was decided in 1876 to acquire the property known as "Upper Norwood," adjoining closely to which was the "Lower Norwood" property, already in possession of Government. On each of these existed bungalows built in the old style, ill-arranged, constructed of very indifferent materials, and not even water-tight. Lower Norwood was especially, from its low situation and bad construction, extremely damp and unfitted as a residence.

2. In view to economy, the first intention was to use the bungalows for the Governor's family and staff; adding merely such public rooms, in a separate building, as were deemed to be indispensably necessary for His Excellency's office and for reception purposes.

3. The plans proposed under this view when in great measure carried out were found very inadequate, but no final decision as to their precise scope could be arrived at in 1877, as the Government did not go to the Hills that year. In 1878 it became, however, sufficiently clear that the two old bungalows above adverted to were quite unsuited, both as regards character and amount of accommodation, for the Governor's family and staff; and that considerable additions must be made to the buildings.

4. This led to organic changes in the original design, and after a series of modifications the plan finally adopted was that of a large two-storied building, affording complete accommodation for the family, in addition to the public reception rooms of the first design, but making no provision for the Private and Military Secretaries, Staff, &c.

5. It is needless to trace the various changes and many alterations of the plans which this rather wide departure from the original scheme necessarily involved, or which arose from other causes. Suffice it to say that, by September 1878, the outlay had reached 2½ lakhs, when the Government of India raised objections to the provision of a residence for His Excellency the Governor at a Hill Station at the public expense, on the ground that it was opposed to the orders of the Secretary of State. But in reply it was submitted that the principle of "prohibiting the transfer, periodically, of the seat of Government to the Hills" had been abandoned by the Home authorities; that it had been assumed that the Local Government had full authority to incur expenditure within their powers of sanction (Rs. 10,00,000); and that economy had been consulted by spreading the outlay over several years.

6. The estimate framed under the above circumstances, and which for all practical purposes may be considered as the original estimate, amounted to Rs. 2,66,660, and was sanctioned by the Madras Government in G.O., No. 4488 W., of 25th November 1878. But even as regards this, economy was still so much kept in view that no provision was made for either decorating the outside or inside of the building (in fact, interior plastering was to a great extent omitted), for furniture, for providing quarters for His Excellency's Staff, for adequate servants' houses, &c., or, indeed, for anything much beyond the bare walls of the principal mansion.

7. The first revised estimate was forwarded to the Government of India for sanction with G.O., No. 3016 W., of 27th November 1879, and amounted to Rs. 2,76,000; but this again provided for little more than a revision of the rates of the work, and made no further provision than the first for even necessary adjuncts, to say nothing of securing even the most ordinary comfort. This revised estimate was formally sanctioned by the Government of India in their Secretary's letter, No. 560, of 31st January 1880.

8. As neither of the abovementioned estimates had any amount entered in them for the cost of acquiring the Norwood Estate, and as it had been shown that a large expanse of terraced roof was altogether unsuited to a wet monsoon at Ootacamund, and that the expense of an iron pent roof must be incurred; further, as became clear, first to the late Mr. Adam, and subsequently to Mr. Hudleston, the Acting Governor, that some additions must be made to the scheme in order to secure a habitable house with a road of approach to it, the estimate was again recast in 1881, providing for the following items:—

| | Rs. |
|---|---|
| 1. Purchase of Upper Norwood property ... ... ... ... | 20,306 |
| 2. Improvements to do. ... ... ... ... | 21,440 |
| 3. Constructing the new building ... ... ... ... ... | 3,17,093 |
| 4. Water-supply ... ... ... ... ... ... | 8,582 |
| 5. Covered passage from the new building to Upper Norwood ... | 1,693 |
| 6. New road of approach ... ... ... ... ... ... | 33,800 |
| Total | 4,02,914 |

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9. At the time of the submission of this estimate the outlay had reached Rs. 3,31,742, the yearly expenditure on the work from the commencement being as follows :—

| | Rs. |
|---|---|
| 1876-77 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 62,733 |
| 1877-78 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1,10,662 |
| 1878-79 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 57,967 |
| 1879-80 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 30,990 |
| 1880-81 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 45,990 |
| to December 1881 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 23,400 |
| Total ... | 3,31,742 |

10. As this was the condition of matters when His Excellency the present Governor assumed office, it may be as well to advert to the fact that practically there was little more than the bare walls of what could no doubt in time and with adequate outlay become a suitable Government House. The flat roof (which had not been approved of by the department) had proved leaky, and only the south wing had been provided with an iron pent roof over the terracing; most of the dwelling rooms had remained unplastered, and many essential conveniences were absolutely wanting. Accommodation for the staff further than such as could be found in the old bungalows (one of which proved quite uninhabitable) there was none; the provision for servants and cattle was either entirely inadequate or wholly wanting; the furniture consisted only of a few old articles brought up from the Government House at Guindy (Madras); the new road of approach in substitution for the old steep and dangerous track which previously served as such had only just been commenced; the roads near the house itself and its surroundings had only been worked out in the roughest fashion, &c. In fact, although the skeleton of a suitable Government House was there, some of the most clearly proved necessities had not been provided for. As to ordinary conveniences, to say nothing of comforts or embellishments, they had no existence.

11. Under the above circumstances, in August 1882 a Committee assembled to report on the further requirements of Government House, with a view to the completion of the main building, and the adaptation of the subsidiary ones for occupation by His Excellency the Governor's Staff and household, and their report is recorded at length in G.O., No. 2139 W., of 19th August 1882. The approximate estimate framed by the Committee for the proposed additions, not including furniture, &c., amounted to Rs. 1,88,000. The expenditure on the building in 1882-83 was Rs. 42,083, making, with the outlay previously incurred, a grand total of Rs. 3,89,524, or including furniture Rs. 4,54,524.

12. The letter of this Government forwarding the above report showed that, notwithstanding this sensible increase to the outlay, some essential items, such as furniture, had not been entered, and the Government of India, in their reply, No. 87, of 13th January 1883, called for "a complete estimate of the cost of finishing and furnishing the house."

1. In consequence of a reminder from the Government of India, dated 19th April 1883, the Superintending Engineer was called on to submit the complete estimates, the preparation of which was to take precedence of all others.

14. The estimate now submitted, amounting to Rs. 7,79,150, is in reply to the last-quoted demand to the Government of India, and comprises the following items, which it is believed will be found to cover all actual requirements of the scheme from first to last :—

I. The six sub-heads of the estimate sanctioned in G.O., No. 390 W., of 11th February 1882, *i.e.*, all previous outlay, whether on account of the Norwood property or new works as then foreseen.

II. Twenty-four of the works specified in the report of the Committee of August 1882 as above adverted to. That report mentioned twenty-eight works; but four of these having since then been held as being more correctly chargeable to the sanctioned estimate, have been so treated.

III. Six additional minor works, which on the latest information were found to be essential.

IV. Contingencies to the amount of Rs. 15,000 as previously recommended by the Committee.

15. As regards the six sub-heads of the estimate of February 1882, no outlay whatever has been incurred since that date on the first two,* which had previously been completed; consequently no revision of those sub-heads is necessary.

* Nos. 1 and 2.

16. But expenditure has been incurred against three† of the others, and those estimates have consequently been revised.‡ As regards No. 5, a small outlay was incurred for a rough temporary covered passage, which is to be superseded by sub-head No. 12 of the present estimate.

† Nos. 3, 4, and 6.

‡ See accompanying comparative statements.



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17. The general result of the revision of the sub-heads in question is as follows :—

| No. | Nature of Work. | As sanctioned. | As revised. |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | Rs. | Rs. |
| 3 | New building ... ... ... | 3,17,093 | 3,12,460 |
| 4 | Water-supply ... ... ... | 8,582 | 6,900 |
| 5 | Covered passage ... ... ... | 1,693 | 115 |
| 6 | Road of approach ... ... ... | 33,800 | 56,770 |
| | Total ... | 3,61,168 | 3,76,245 |
| | Excess over previous sanctions ... | ... | 15,077 |

The comparative statements* for the new building, water-supply, and road of approach clearly show, in separate columns, the work done, remaining to be done, and not required. The principal cause of the apparent reduction in the cost of the new building is the provision of a separate estimate for "decorations"† on a greater scale than was formerly contemplated, and which was clearly inadequate to a work of this character. But the revised amount for the new building includes Rs. 10,258 for completing the roofs, ceilings, floors, windows, fire-places, &c., where they are still in an unfinished state.

* See the three comparative statements accompanying.

† Sub-head No. 8.

18. Of the remaining thirty-one sub-heads, detailed estimates are furnished for twenty-five, and lump sums have been entered against the remaining six, the details of which cannot now be estimated more exactly. These lump-sum entries are as follows :—

| | Rs. |
|---|---|
| I. Finishing exterior of main building ... ... ... ... | 20,000 |
| II. Conservatory and glass covered passage from Upper Norwood ... | 10,000 |
| III. Furniture (see the annexed appendix by the Private Secretary, giving the needful information in reference to this item) ... | 1,25,000 |
| IV. Completing the garden front ... ... ... ... ... | 6,000 |
| V. General surroundings and laying out and planting the grounds. | 15,000 |
| VI. Unforeseen contingencies ... ... ... ... ... ... | 15,000 |

19. The following remarks seem necessary in regard to some of the sub-heads of the estimate :—

*No.* 4. *Water-supply.*—The saving occurred in the cost of iron piping, which had been over-estimated.

*No.* 5.—Only a rough temporary covered passage has yet been built, which cost Rs. 115; for this a conservatory and glass covered passage is to be substituted.

*No.* 6. *Road of approach from "Charing Cross."*—It may here be observed that nothing could well have been worse than the old road, which was so narrow, steep and tortuous as to be quite dangerous. Near its commencement it leads through one of the most frequented business portions of the station, and after that leads to a number of private houses and hotels and the Public Gardens, lastly to Government House; on the whole it may be looked on as forming one of the most important of the Ootacamund roads, quite irrespective of its incidental connection with Government House, and its cost might thus have been fairly debited to Miscellaneous Public Improvements.

The late Governor, Mr. Adam, saw at once the absolute necessity of providing for this road, and after his death the Acting Governor, Mr. Hudleston, decided finally to carry it out. As this work progressed alterations were found necessary in various features of the estimate, and several of the original proposals were improved upon. Stone curbing was substituted for brick-work in defining the footpaths as being more durable; gravelled side paths were provided; also additional means of cross drainage; and especially for dealing with the unwatering of a very insanitary swamp through which the road was taken, and the drainage of which was considered to be most desirable. This latter has led to rather heavier expenditure than was anticipated. The revised estimate provides also for ornamental parapets, surmounted by lamps, at the Garden Bridge; and on the branch line towards Stonehouse Hill a new masonry culvert is to take the place of an old and unsightly platform bridge. Provision has also been made for ornamental gate piers, with suitable lamps, at the entrance to the Gardens.

*Nos.* 8 *and* 31.—The decorations and furniture are being provided under the immediate supervision of the Private Secretary. That officer's memorandum in regard to the latter is appended.

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*No.* 9. *Improvements to Lower Norwood.*—As before noted, this old building, from defective construction, was condemned as unfit for habitation, and the improvements here provided for have been in progress this season, and much of the work required has already been carried out.

*Nos.* 11 *and* 19.—The old bungalows here adverted to are Upper Norwood and Garden Cottage, the first of which has been before mentioned. Both are very old bungalows of faulty construction and with leaky roofs, quite unfit in their present condition for affording the needful accommodation of the Private Secretary and His Excellency's Surgeon with their families, for which they are intended.

*No.* 12. *Conservatory and Glass Covered Passage.*—Information regarding this work, on which to base an estimate, has been written for to England, and in the course of another month it will probably be possible to furnish a detailed estimate.

*No.* 28. *Road to Snowdon.*—The estimate only provides for widening to 15 feet, metalling, and improving the cross drainage, as approved by His Excellency the Governor As regards this item, it may be observed that on much the same grounds the outlay on this road might, like that of the new road of approach, have been debited to Miscellaneous Public Improvements, and not specially to the Government House estimate. It connects the Public Gardens with the house now occupied by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, as also with Snowdon and Dodabetta, which are so frequently visited by the residents in Ootacamund.

Similar remarks apply to No. 20, Road to Garden Cottage.

OOTACAMUND,
4th July 1883.

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

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*Appendix to the Report.*

List of Works included in the Complete Estimate of Government House, Ootacamund.

| No. of Sub-heads. | Nature of Work. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| | | Rs. |
| 1. | Cost of Upper Norwood property ... ... ... ... | 20,306 |
| 2. | Improvements to Upper Norwood property ... ... | 21,440 |
| 3. | Constructing the new Government House ... ... ... | 3,12,640 |
| 4. | Water-supply for the new building ... ... ... ... | 6,900 |
| 5. | Covered way to Upper Norwood ... ... ... ... | 115 |
| 6. | New road of approach ... ... ... ... ... | 56,770 |
| 7. | Completing the water closets, and providing three trap sinks and four swing doors ... ... ... ... ... | 820 |
| 8. | Interior decorations ... ... ... ... ... ... | 53,000 |
| 9. | Improving Lower Norwood ... ... ... ... ... | 13,657 |
| 10. | Covered passage from Lower Norwood to the main building. | 4,980 |
| 11. | Improving Upper Norwood ... ... ... ... ... | 16,860 |
| 12. | Conservatory and glass covered passage to the main building. | 10,000 |
| 13. | New blocks of servants' quarters ... ... ... ... | 20,530 |
| 14. | Moving the drinking-water cistern and relaying the pipes... | 120 |
| 15. | House for the coachman, and similar building to accommodate the cook, and afford shelter to the guard and fire-engine ... ... ... ... ... ... | 18,140 |
| 16. | New cow-shed and store-room ... ... ... ... | 3,290 |
| 17. | New gram-shed and boiler ... ... ... ... ... | 880 |
| 18. | Stable-yard improvements ... ... ... ... ... | 1,370 |
| 19. | Improvements to Garden Cottage ... ... ... ... | 10,000 |
| 20. | Improving road to Garden Cottage ... ... ... ... | 1,620 |
| 21. | Repairing small cottage by the Fern House for the Apothecary ... ... ... ... ... ... | 390 |
| 22. | Improving the bungalow above Garden Cottage ... ... | 1,880 |
| 23. | Finishing the exterior of the main building ... ... | 20,000 |
| 24. | Clearing away existing row of servants' houses and forming a standing ground for carriages ... ... ... ... | 900 |
| 25. | New south-east approach ... ... ... ... ... | 5,300 |
| 26. | Entrance to stable-yard ... ... ... ... ... | 760 |
| 27. | Stable for sick horses ... ... ... ... ... | 1,960 |
| 28. | Improving road to Snowdon ... ... ... ... | 6,620 |
| 29. | Completing the garden front ... ... ... ... | 6,000 |
| 30. | General surroundings ... ... ... ... ... | 15,000 |
| 31. | Furniture ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1,25,000 |
| 32. | Improvements to kitchen, store-rooms, cellars, &c. ... | 2,930 |
| 33. | Passage from servants' rooms to hall, and dry-earth closet... | 1,100 |



| No. of Sub-head. | Nature of Work. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| | | Rs. |
| 34. | Passing drainage of roofs under verandah floors ... ... | 280 |
| 35. | Shed to be used for cutting up wood, and for horses to stand in on party nights ... ... ... ... ... | 832 |
| 36. | Completing the harness-room ... ... ... ... | 1,760 |
| 37. | Unforeseen contingencies ... ... ... ... ... | 15,000 |
| | Total ... | 7,79,150 |

(Signed) J. BEATTY, Colonel, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.

2nd July 1883.

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*Estimate for furnishing Government House, Ootacamund.*

A lump sum of Rs. 1,25,000. In this lump sum are included the items amounting to Rs. 48,975, about which the Honorable Major Baring spoke when in Madras in 1882, and to the sanction of which in the Financial Department of the Government of Madras the Government of India accorded their confirmation in paragraph 3 of their Financial letter, No. 87 of 13th January 1883. In contracting not to exceed an additional expenditure of Rs. 76,025 for completing the furnishing of the house, His Excellency the Governor agrees that out of that sum no further expenditure shall be incurred on glass, China, or linen in accordance with the instructions conveyed in the latter part of paragraph 4 of the letter of the Government of India above quoted.

OOTACAMUND,
3rd July 1883.

(Signed) A. AWDRY, Captain, R.E.,
Private Secretary.

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FOURTH CIRCLE—PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—NILGIRI DIVISION.

List of Plans connected with Government House, Ootacamund.

| Estimate Item No. | Plan No. | Names of Plans. |
|---|---|---|
| ... | 1 | Plan showing Government House and Garden. |
| ... | 2 | Gate piers with lamps to Garden Entrance. |
| 6 | 3 | Skew culvert on Stonehouse approach road. |
| ... | 4 | New faces to Garden Bridge. |
| 9 | 5 | Lower Norwood. |
| 10 | 6 | Covered way from Lower Norwood. |
| 11 | 7 | Upper Norwood. |
| 13 | 8 | New blocks of servants' quarters. |
| 15 | 9 | Coachman's house, and House for cook, guard and fire-engine. |
| 16 | 10 | Cow-shed and straw store. |
| 17 | 11 | Gram store and gram-boiling shed. |
| 19 | 12 | Improvements to Garden Cottage. |
| 20 | 13 | Improving road to Garden Cottage. |
| 22 | 14 | Improving bungalow to accommodate the Governor's Band. |
| 24 | 15 | Standing ground for carriages on party nights. |
| 25 | 16 | New south-east approach. |
| 26 | 17 | Entrance to stable-yard. |
| 27 | 18 | Sick horse stable. |
| 28 | 19 | Improvements to Snowdon Road. |
| 35 | 20 | Shed for standing horses and cutting wood. |
| ... | 21 | Ground plan of upper floor. |
| ... | 22 | Do. of lower floor. |
| ... | 23 | Elevation of main building. |

NILGIRI DIVISION,
30th June 1883.

(Signed) J. C. LARMINIE,
Executive Engineer, Nilgiri Division.

(Signed) J. BEATTY, Colonel, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.

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The Examiner refers to this office reference regarding Brandsmeis Quarters at Fort House Dolgt. having been received it is proposed to send on to the Govt. of India the Comparative Statement of expenditure submitted by S.G. IV Circle — At the same time, it is proposed to send on the Plan & estimate for Brandsmeis Quarters as the Govt thinks that the proposed debit of cost to subheads 13 & 37 should be approved by the G.I.

The G. of I. will then have the balance to be spent in 1888-9 & subsequent years to complete the

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From

The Supt Engineer
Fourth Circle

Dated 12th Jany 1889.

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(1 plan)

Married Quarters for
H.E. the Governor's Band
at Ooty.-

Submitting for
sanction estimates
Rs. of Rs: 9170 for
Constructing —, and
stating that the cost
can be met from
Savings on subheads
13 & 37 of Estimate for

No. 217C dd 17th Jany 1889.

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Please say whether
you see any objection
to the expenditure being
charged to items 13 & 37
of the estimate attached
to G.O. No. 1915 W dd 9th July
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very early reply
requested.

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To W.

Having regard to the terms of para 4 of the Government of India letter No. 2779 dated 21st. August 1883 printed with G.O. No. 2459 W. dated 3rd. September 1883, in which Government of India reluctantly sanctioned the estimate as necessary to complete the Government House Ootacamund

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Ootacamund and render it habitable, I do not think it would be proper without the further sanction of the Government of India to utilise savings on this estimate for a purpose which was not contemplated when it was prepared and sanctioned.

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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N.B.—*Please quote the number and date of this letter in future communication on this subject.*

P. W. D.

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NILGIRI DIVISION OFFICE,

STATION Ootacamund 22 December 1888.

Enclosures. 2. From W. B. de Winton Esqre

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, NILGIRI DIVISION,

OOTACAMUND,

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

FOURTH CIRCLE,

COIMBATORE.

SIR,

With reference to your Endorsement No. 533/N.D. dated 13th November 1888, I have the honor to forward herewith a statement comparing the actual expenditure on Government House Ootacamund upto the end of 1887-88, with the sanctioned estimate under each sub head.

2. The balance remaining on each subhead is also shown.

3. I am unable to say what further expenditure is contemplated to complete the Project, and as you will see from the accompanying letter received this day from the Military

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Military Secretary to H. E. the Governor that officer cannot at present give me any information on the subject.

4. The married Quarters for the men of His Excellency's Band referred to by him are not under construction as he states. The plan and estimate have merely been forwarded to him for countersignature, and will be submitted to you for sanction in due course.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedt. Servt

(By order)
S. K. Rogaland Asst Accountant
for Executive Engineer,
Nilgiri Division.

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No. 18/E.D. Submitted to the Chief Engineer, S.W. Department with reference to G.O., No. 3538 W, dated 6th November 1888. Encls.

A Smith Lt. Col: R.E.,
Supg. Engineer, 4th Circle.

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From

The Supdg. Engineer,
Fourth circle.

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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P.W. DEPARTMENT, MADRAS.

Dated 14th January 1889.

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Government House Cantonment.

Forwards a statement of expenditure upto 1887-88, together with a copy of Military Secretary's letter stating his inability to give expenditure for subsequent years, on — with reference to G.O. No. 3538 W. of 6th Nov. 1888.

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From

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
NILGIRI DIVISION,

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
4TH CIRCLE.

Dated 23
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**Subject.**

Govt. House Ootacamund—.
Forwards Colonel Milnes's letter stating his inability to give details of further expenditure contemplated on—.

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No. 699. Government House. 27/12

Madras, 17th December. 1888.

From,

The Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Governor.

To,

The Executive Engineer,
Nilgiri Division.
Ootacamund.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 3306 dated. 29th November, I have the honor to inform you that with the exception of the Married Quarters, for the men of His Excellency the Governor's Band, the construction of which is in progress, I am unable to tell you now what further expenditure is contemplated, but will do so as soon as His Excellency returns to Ootacamund next Summer.

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Chisholme. Major
Military Secretary.
(By order)
T.K. Sagavanda R.

SUPT. ENGINEERS
NO. 1/8477/A
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FOURTH CIRCLE

Statement showing the total Value of work done on Construcing Government House Upper Norwood, Estimated up to 31st October 1888.

| Item no. | Name of Subheads | Amount of Estimate | Total Value of work done to end of October 1888 | Balance | Remark |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Cost of Upper Norwood Property | 20,306 | 20,306 | - | |
| 2 | Improvements to Upper Norwood Property | 21,440 | 20,345 | 1095 | |
| 3 | Constructing a new Government House | 312,640 | 309687 | 2953 | |
| 4 | Water supply for the new Building | 6900 | 6900 | - | |
| 5 | Covered way to Upper Norwood | 115 | 115 | - | |
| 6 | New road of approach to Government House | 56,770 | 55,766 | 1004 | |
| 7 | Water closets Traps, Sinks, and Patent door Springs | 820 | 197 | 623 | |
| 8 | Interior decorations of Government House | 53,000 | 53,000 | - | |
| 9 | Improving Lower Norwood | 15,657 | 12,745 | 2912 | |
| 10 | Covered Passage from Lower Norwood to Government House | 4,930 | 4,265 | 665 | |
| 11 | Improving Upper Norwood | 16,360 | 18,131 | | |
| 12 | Conservatory and Covered Passage to Main Building | 16,900 | 14699 | | |
| | Carried over | 519488 | 516226 | 3262 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Brought forward | 5,19,488 | 5,16,226 | 3,262 |
| 13 | New blocks of Servants' quarters | 20,530 | 18,367 | 2163 |
| 14 | Moving the drinking water Cistern and relaying pipes | 120 | 120 | " |
| 15 | Houses for the Coachman and similar building to accommodate the Cook and afford shelter to the guard and fire Engine | 18,140 | " | 18,140 |
| 16 | New Cow shed and stone room | 3290 | 2953 | 337 |
| 17 | New grain Shed and boiler | 880 | 169 | 711 |
| 18 | Stable yard Improvements | 1,370 | 1,370 | " |
| 19 | Improvements to Gardens Cottage | 10,000 | 10,000 | " |
| 20 | Improving road to do | 1,620 | 1,620 | " |
| 21 | Repairing the small cottage by the fern house for the Apothecary | 390 | 380 | 10 |
| 22 | Improving the Bungalow above garden Cottage | | | |
| 23 | " (Baudomens Quarters) | 1,880 | 1,672 | 208 |
| 23 | Finishing the Exterior of the Main Building | 20,000 | 2,141 | 17,859 |
| 24 | Clearing away the existing row of Servants' houses and forming a Standing ground for Carriages | 900 | 900 | " |
| 25 | New South east approach | 5,300 | 4,668 | 632 |
| 26 | Entrance to Stable yard | 760 | 105 | 655 |
| 27 | Stables for Sick horses | 1,960 | 230 | 1730 |
| 28 | Improving road to Snowdon | 6,620 | 6,620 | " |
| 29 | Completing the garden front | 6,000 | 4,605 | 1,395 |
| 30 | General Surrounding (Horticultural Impts.) | 15,000 | 12,5[illegible]4 | 2,45[illegible] |
| 31 | Furniture Charges | 1,25,000 | 1,02,159 | 22841 |
| 32 | Improvements to Kitchen Store room cellars &c. | 2,930 | 2,198 | 732 |
| 33 | Passage from Servants' rooms to Hall and dry earth closet | 1,100 | 924 | 176 |
| 34 | Passing drainage of roofs under Verandah floors | 280 | 280 | " |
| 35 | Shed to be used for cutting up wood and for horses to stand in on party nights | 832 | 832 | " |
| 36 | Completing the horness room | 1,760 | 1760 | " |
| 37 | Unforeseen Contingencies | 15,000 | 8,204 | 6,796 |
| | Deduct value of timber to be removed from the existing roof &c under Improvements to Lower Norwood | 2,000 | - 786 | - 1214 |
| | Total Value of work done | 7,79150 | 7,00261 | 78889 |
| | Deduct Arrears due | " | 61 | 61 |
| | Total Charges. | 7,79,150 | 7,00,200 | 78950 |

Camp Ootacamund
3 December 1884

Executive Engineer
Nilgiri Div

Statement showing the amount of work done on Constructing Government House Upper Norwood, Ootacamund up to 31st March/88.

| Item No. | Name of sub heads | Amount of estimate | Total value of work done to end of 31st March/88. | Balance | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Cost of Upper Norwood Property | 20,306 | 20,306 | " | |
| 2 | Improvements to Upper Norwood Property | 21,440 | 20,345 | 1,095 | |
| 3 | Constructing a New Government House | 312,640 | 309,605 | 3,035 | |
| 4 | Water Supply for the New Building | 6,900 | 6,900 | " | * of this Rs: 428 represent expenditure on connecting Govt House with Snowdon water supply |
| 5 | Covered way to Upper Norwood | 115 | 136 | | |
| 6 | New Road of approach to Government House | 66,770 | 55,768 | 1,002 | |
| 7 | Water closets, Traps, sinks and Patent door Springs | 820 | 197 | 623 | |
| 8 | Interior decoration of Government House | 53,000 | 53,000 | " | |
| 9 | Improving Lower Norwood | 15,657 | 12,743 | 2,914 | * of this Rs: 1000 — Do. |
| 10 | Covered passage from Lower Norwood to Government House | 4,980 | 4,335 | 645 | |
| 11 | Improving Upper Norwood | 16,860 | 18,131 | —1271 | |
| 12 | Conservatory and Covered passage to main building | 10,000 | 14,699 | —4699 | |
| 13 | New Blocks of Servants Quarters | 20,530 | *18,303 | 2,227 | * of this Rs: 407 represent expenditure for connecting Govt House with Snowdon Water Supply |
| | Carried over | 540,018 | 534,468 | 5,550 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Brought forward ... | 570018 | 534468 | 5550 |
| 14 | Moving the drinking water cistern and pulaying pipes | 120 | 120 | " |
| 15 | Houses for the Coachman and similar Building to accommodate the cook and afford shelter to the guard & fire engine | 18,140 | " | 18,140 |
| 16 | New cow shed and store room | 3290 | 2953 | 337 |
| 17 | New grain shed and boiler | 880 | 169 | 711 |
| 18 | Stable yard Improvements. | 1,370 | 1,370 | " |
| 19 | & proiements to Garden Cottage | 10,000 | 11601 | 601 |
| 20 | Improving road to ... be | 1620 | 1620 | " |
| 21 | Repairing the small cottage by the Fern House for the apothecary | 390 | 380 | 10 |
| 22 | Improving the Bungalow above garden cottage (Bandsmens quarters) | 1,880 | 1671 | 209 |
| 23 | Finishing the exterior of the Main building | 20,000 | 2141 | 17859 |
| 24 | Clearing away existing row of Servants houses and forming a Standing ground for carriages | 900 | 900 | " |
| 25 | New South east approach | 5300 | 4668 | 632 |
| 26 | Entrance to Stable yard | 760 | 105 | 655 |
| 27 | Stables for Sick Horses | 1960 | 230 | 1730 |
| 28 | Improving Road to Snowdon | 6620 | 6620 | " |
| 29 | Completing the garden front | 6000 | 4605 | 1395 |
| 30 | General Surroundings (Horticultural Improvements) | 15000 | 13525 | 1475 |
| 31 | Furniture charges | 125000 | 97900 | 27100 |
| 32 | Improvements to kitchen Store room cellers &c | 2980 | 2198 | 732 |
| 33 | Passage from Servants' Rooms to Hall dry earth closet | 1110 | 924 | 186 |
| 34 | Passing drainage of roofs under verandah floors | 220 | 220 | " |
| 35 | Shed to be used for cutting up wood and for horses to stand in on party nights | 832 | 832 | " |
| 36 | Completing the Harness room | 1760 | 1760 | " |
| 37 | Unforeseen Contingencies | 15000 | 6382 | 8618 |
| | Deduct value of timber to be removed from the existing Carriage & under Improvements to Servants Rooms | 2000 | 786 | 1214 |
| | Total | 779150 | 696635 | 82515 |
| | Deduct arrears due | | 50 | 50 |
| | Total Charges | 779150 | 696585 | 82565 |

(By order)
T.K. Rajavandra Rau
Accountant
for Executive Engineer
Nilgiri Div.

Rotacamund
23rd December 88.

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UBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF S GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the Feb 1889

READ the following

From the Superintending Engineer IV Circle, No. 15 Ex. dated 12th January 1889.

Do. Do.

18 Ex. dated 14th January 1889.

From the Examiner of P. W. accounts No. 98 dy 23rd January 1889.

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed

No. E. No. 280 Wdy. dated 29/1/89 To Madras to the Govt of India P.W.D.

Sir

With reference to your letter No. 557 Bdy 23rd October 1888, I am directed to forward a statement comparing the actual expendi-

The Finance Dept. appear to have made the estimate roughly at Rs 1 lakh

HLS 29/Jan

incurred on Go
House, Potaca
to the End of 188
the sanctioned estimates
under each sub-head.

2. With respect to ~~that~~
work remaining to complete
the project, I am directed
to state that with the ex-
-ception of ~~a proposal to provide~~ four sets of
quarters for married
men of His Excellency
the Governor's Band,
~~other requirements cannot be~~
~~known to not practicable to~~
state at present ~~what~~
~~further expenditure is~~
~~contemplated~~, but that
final proposals for
expenditure in 1888-89
and following years
will be made soon
after

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after His Excellency goes
to Potacamund, and
settles what portions of
the work shall be carried
~~out~~ out and when.

3. As regards the pro-
posed married quarters
for men of His Excellency
the Governor's Band, I am
forward herewith the
an and estimate for the
work, and to state that it
is proposed to meet the cost
Rs. 9170, from savings
under sub-heads 13 and
17 of the sanctioned estimate.
The Examiner of Public
Works Accounts however,
is of opinion in view to the terms of
G.O. from the Government
of India, in the Depart-
-ment of Finance and
Commerce No. 2779 dy.
21st August 1883, it is
doubtful whether the cost
of

of the work can be
met, and I am therefore
to request the sanction of
the Government of India
to the proposed expenditure
under the sub-heads in
question.

4. The very early return
of the plan and estimate
is requested.

D/p
28/1/89
to Govt of India
with 1 copy of statement
showing the total value
of work done by detailed
estimate, 1 abstract est
1 current abstract est
and a tracing
1/2/89

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