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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers :—

Petition from the Roman Catholic Priest, Arni, dated 1st May 1891.
Endorsement by the Private Secretary to H. E. the Governor, dated 6th May 1891.

Endorsement in the Ecclesiastical Department, dated 14th May 1891.

ABSTRACT.—Transferring a letter from the Catholic priest of Arni, bringing to notice the state of cemetery at and church near the Arni fort, and suggesting that those may be enclosed by a wall and repairs effected.

From Major C. C. RAWSON, R.E., Executive Engineer, North Arcot division,
to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, dated 26th August 1891,
No. 378 S.E.

With reference to your No. 418 N.A., dated 26th May 1891, on No. 2574 C., dated 20th May 1891, from Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, forwarding a petition from the Roman Catholic priest of Arni to His Excellency the Governor (herewith returned.)

2. I have the honour to forward, herewith, two estimates, one for Rs. 400 for building a wall round the Roman Catholic cemetery at Arni, the other for Rs. 290 for repairs to the Roman Catholic church at the same place.

3. There are 10 tombs in the cemetery of soldiers and non-commissioned officers belonging to the old garrison of Arni; 3 of these tombs have inscriptions on them and there is in the church a slab bearing an inscription which belongs to another of the graves. The ground in which these tombs are situated is said to have been consecrated. I do not think that there can be any doubt but that these graves of English soldiers should be walled in and protected from desecration.

4. The church was built in 1844; the accounts are not complete, but they clearly show that in that year Rs. 1,100 or thereabouts was expended on the church, of which Rs. 651 was subscribed by Her Majesty's 57th Regiment.

5. It is evident that the church was designed to hold a much larger congregation than it is ever likely to hold again to meet the wants of the garrison of Arni and that it was built chiefly by subscriptions from British soldiers. The church now is in a nearly ruinous state, and, being so large a building, the cost of doing even the most necessary repair is far beyond the means of the present small congregation.

6. Taking into consideration the history of the building, I think that Government might well be asked to grant, as a special case, Rs. 300 towards its repair.

No. 450 W.

Copy forwarded to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, with reference to his endorsement No. 2574 C., dated 20th May 1891. Before the present building is repaired, it is thought that the advisability of retaining such a large building should, in the circumstance of a reduced congregation, brought to notice by the Executive Engineer, be taken into consideration. The length of the building at the west end may well be shortened, as Government having now taken up the repairs of the church it will be an ever recurring item of expenditure in this direction.

(Signed) R. R. E. DRAKE-BROCKMAN, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
29th August 1891. Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 29th September 1891, No. 5889.

Under rule XXIII of section I, appendix D, page 29, of Madras Public Works Code, it would appear that it is the intention of Government to provide for the protection and preservation of the graves of soldiers. Accordingly there appears to be no objection to the proposed grant for "constructing wall around the Roman Catholic cemetery at Arni."

2. As regards the repairs to the church, they can be undertaken by this department provided the church is the property of Government (*vide* rules XXVI and XXVII, section IV, page 44, of the same appendix); but this does not appear to be the case.

ORDER—dated 19th December 1891, No. 3442 W., Public Works.

The estimate, amounting to Rs. 400, for enclosing the Roman Catholic cemetery at Arni is approved and returned to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, for sanction and early execution.

2. The estimate of Rs. 290 for repairs to the church does not fall within the rules and cannot be sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, with six enclosures.
,, Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
,, Ecclesiastical Department.

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Govt. of {1891} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated December, 19th.

Reed.

Encl.

G.O., 19th Dec. 1891, No. 3442 W.

DECEMBER.

Roman Catholic Cemetery
at Arni

Estimate of Rs. 400 for enclosing the —
approved and returned to the Superintending
Engineer, IV Circle, for sanction and early
execution.

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A Son Excellence Lord Winlock

Gouverneur de Madras.

Excellence,

Pendant votre tour Sans la partie Sud du
North Arcot, vous avez visité Arni son Fort et les anciennes
casernes.. Pres du Fort sur la route de Kalambar

se trouve un ancien cimetiere des soldats et officiers Europeens
morts en garnison dans le Fort au service de la Reine

afin que leurs morts ne fussent pas oublies
Sans ce pays tout paron des mains amies leur ont
bati des tombes et au milieu de ces tombes une eglise
ou le culte divin n'a cesse d'etre celebre.

Or. Monsieur le Gouverneur, Depuis le depart
de la garnison, ces tombes endommages sont restes sans
murs d'enclos et l'eglise sans reparations.

Le cimetiere Europeen qui renferme le Fort
a toujours ete entretenu avec soin, protege par un mur d'enceinte

Celui dont je parle au contraire, semble avoir été oublié.
Dans ces temps de famine où l'on a surtout besoin
de faire travailler le pauvre peuple, permettez-moi
de venir humblement m'adresser à votre Excellence
Et les misères et les souffrances du peuple ouvrier.

En effet, il paraîtrait bien nécessaire d'entourer
d'un mur solide le cimetière et l'église après avoir
réparé l'un et l'autre. Rs. 500 suffiraient pour
ce travail

Je prie Votre Excellence de vouloir bien
considérer si ce ne serait pas là un heureux moyen
de secours accordés aux émancipés.

Agreez, Monsieur le Gouverneur, l'expression
la plus sincère des sentiments avec lesquels j'ose
me dire

De Votre Excellence,
Le très-humble serviteur

C. Millan
Cath. priest of Arni North Arcot

Arni 1st May 1891



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Petition from The Catholic Priest
Phoni

Dated 1st May 1891.

TRANSFERRED to the Chief Secretary to
Government for disposal.

(By Order.)

[Signature]

Private Secretary.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
6th May 1891.

TO BE RETURNED
WITH REPLY.

P.W. C. No. 5425
EXAMINED
No. 5117
4- SERA
W. ACCOUNTS
(18) DEPARTMENT.

Referred to the Public
Works Department for
favor of report.

25 MAY. 91
Supt. Engineer's Office
FOURTH CIRCLE.

No. 2574.C. d/ 20 May/91

Referred to the
Suptg. Engineer IV Circle
for report.

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Lt. Col. R.S.
Ag. H. Secy: to Govt.
P.W. &

To
Re Suptg. Engr. IV Circle
in original to be
returned.

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From
THE PRIVATE SECRETARY
TO THE RIGHT HON. THE GOVERNOR
To
THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
DEPARTMENT.

Dated 8th May 1891
Recd.

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Supt. Engineer's Office
FOURTH CIRCLE.

ENCLOSURE

Subject.

Transfers a petition from the Catholic
Priest of Arni regarding the
wall of the cemetery at and church near
the Arni fort and suggesting that the
cemetery be enclosed by a wall & repairs effected

Referred

North West Division office,
26th August 1891.

No. 378 SE.

Despd. 27th 3442/6

From,

Major C.C. Rawson, R.E.,
Executive Engineer,
North West Division,

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To,

The Superintending Engineer
IV Circle.

Sir,

Reference to your No. 418/NA, dated 26
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from Secretary to Government, P.W. Department
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2. I have the honor to forward herewith
two Estimates, one for Rs 400 for building a
wall round the Roman Catholic Cemetery
at Arni, the other for Rs 290 for repairs to the
Roman Catholic Church at the same place.

3. There are 10 tombs in the Cemetery of
soldiers and non-Commissioned officers
belonging to the old Garrison of Arni,
3 of these tombs have inscriptions on them
and there is in the Church a slab bearing
an inscription which belongs to another
of the graves. The ground in which these

tombs are situated is said to have been consecrated. I do not think that there can be any doubt but that these graves of English soldiers should be walled in and protected from desecration.

4. The church was built in 1844, the accounts are not complete, but they clearly show that in that year Rs 1100 or thereabouts was expended on the church, of which Rs 651 was subscribed by Her Majesty's 57th Regiment.

5. It is evident that the church was designed to hold a much larger congregation than it is ever likely to hold. To meet the wants of the garrison of Arris and that it was built chiefly by subscriptions from British soldiers. The church now is in a nearly ruinous state and being so large a building the cost of doing even the most necessary repair is far beyond the means of the present small congregation.

6. Taking into consideration the history of the building I think that Government might well be asked to grant as a special case Rs 300 towards its repair.

I have &c
(sd) C. C. Rawson, Major, R.E.,
Executive Engineer.

Copy-

Encl. 8
1 Plan
2 Estimates
2 Abstracts
2 Reports
16 Rs Encl.

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Read the following:—

From the Suptg Engineer IV Circle No. 450 of 29th August 1911
Office note from the Examiner P.W. Accounts No. 5889 of 29th September 1911

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FOR ORDERS.

There appears to be no objection to sanction being accorded to the estimate of Rs 4.00 for enclosing the cemetery, but the estimate of Rs 290 for repair to the ch. ch does not fall within the rules.

Approved
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10 Oct.

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No 3704 C of 29th Sept 1911

To

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For favour of remarks with reference to the rules in Appendix D, P.W. Code.

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1-9-91

No. 5889 of 29-9-91

To W.

Under rule XXIII of section 1, appendix D, page 23 of Madras P.W. Code, it would appear that it is the intention of Government to provide for the protection and preservation of the graves of soldiers. Accordingly there appears to be no objection to the proposed grant for "constructing wall around the Roman Catholic Cemetery at Arni".

2. As regards the repairs to the church, they can be undertaken by this department provided the church is the property of Government (vide rules XXVI & XXVII, section IV, page 44, of the same Appendix. But this does not appear to be the case.

at 29-9-91 29/9/91

From
The Suptg Engrg
IV Circle

Dated 29th August 1911
Encl 223

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No 450
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Roman Catholic Cemetery
at Arni

Forwarding 2 estimates
amounting to Rs 690 for
repairs.

No. 3442 W. 19 Dec/91

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Read the following.

Petition from the Roman Catholic Priest Arni dt 1-5-91.
Endorsement by the Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor dt 6-5-91.
Endorsement in the Ecclesiastical Department dt 14-5-91.
From the Superintending Engineer TV Circle H.E. No 450W dt 29-8-91.
From the Examiner P.W. Accounts No 5889 dt 29-9-91:-

Abstract 3442/9
Drawn by a W
letter from the 18 Dec.
Catholic Priest 100
to Arni priest 15 Nov.
to make the site
of the church and
church near the
Arni fort and
supporting the
wall may be enclosed
by a wall and
repairs effect

The estimate amounting
to Rs 400 for enclosing the
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at Arni is approved and
returned to the Superintending
Engineer TV Circle for sanction
and early execution.
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for repairs to the church does
not fall within the rules,
and cannot be sanctioned.

To
The Suptg. Engineer TV Circle
with 6 encls.
" Examiner P.W. Accounts
Ecclesiastical Department.

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Roman Catholic
Cemetery at
Arni

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Estimate of Rs 400
for enclosing the—
approved & returned
to the S. E. IV Circle
for sanction &
early execution.

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