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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

G.O., dated 13th May 1892, No. 1484 W., Public Works.

Read—the following papers:—

From Colonel J. G. FORBES, R.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Account-General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 6th April 1892, No. 90 A.—G.

In Revenue and Agricultural Department circular letter, No. 12 (Archæology), dated 24th August 1891, the Government of India drew attention to the preparation of lists of ancient remains and buildings of archæological interest. It appears, however, that in the statements of expenditure from 1887-88 to 1891-92 on the preservation of buildings of historical and architectural interest, submitted in accordance with orders issued in Public Works Department letter, No. 85 A.—G., dated 5th June 1891, many buildings are entered which are devoid of archæological interest, and could not, therefore, be brought into the lists required by the August circular.

2. As the Government of India is desirous that the expenditure incurred throughout India on archæological remains should be carefully ascertained and distinguished from expenditure on any other class of buildings, I am to request that the Public Works Department lists may be subjected to examination and divided into two sections, the first of which, *viz.*, the archæological section, should contain only those buildings which either have been, or can appropriately be, included in the third or final list referred to in the August circular.

3. It is believed that nearly all of the buildings, &c., which are excluded from the archæological section will be found to come under the head of tombs or monuments of Europeans, which are dealt with by the Government of India in the Home Department. There are some, however, which can hardly be classed as such, as, for instance, the "Residency at Lucknow," which is of historical but not strictly archæological interest. The Government of India is content to leave it to the decision of the Local Government whether such buildings as these should be allowed to appear in the archæological list.

4. On the other hand, the Public Works Department lists do not appear to include all archæological buildings on which expenditure is incurred. An ancient palace, for instance, of which a portion is used as an office, has been omitted from the list, because the repairs come under a separate head of repairs to public offices, although the expenditure on them has been to a considerable extent directed to the preservation of the ancient building. Such omissions should be rectified. It will also be desirable that expenditure by public bodies or other departments on archæological remains should be separately exhibited.

5. As the information now called for is required for the Secretary of State, who has expressed a desire to know to what extent archæological remains are kept in repair at the public expense, it is desirable that the return of expenditure on or connected with archæological buildings, &c., should be submitted at an early date. The Government of India does not require any return of expenditure on other buildings.

G.O., dated 28th April 1892, No. 452, Public.

Order—dated 18th May 1892, No. 1484 W., Public Works.

A copy of the list furnished to the Government of India in compliance with its letter, No. 85 A.—G., dated 5th June 1891, will be forwarded to the Public Department in view to its examination and division by the Superintendent, Archaeological Survey, in the manner indicated in paragraph 2 of the letter above recorded.

2. With reference to paragraph 4, it is observed that the list submitted by the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, with his endorsement, No. 652 I.C., dated 7th July 1891, made no mention of Tirumal Naick's Palace, Madura. The Superintending Engineer will now report whether any expenditure was incurred on the building from 1887-88 to 1891-92 on restoration work, as distinguished from additions and improvements carried out to fit the interior for use as public offices.

3. Information with respect to expenditure by public bodies or other departments on archaeological remains will be collected in the Public Department.

4. The Government of India will be requested to state whether an annual statement prepared in the manner now indicated will be required in future.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Department, with copy of list.

ORDER—dated 25th May 1892, No. 356, Public.

The list will be forwarded to the Superintendent, Archaeological Survey, for early scrutiny, report and return.

2. Departments of the Secretariat will be requested to state whether there has been any expenditure on archaeological remains, and the Local and Municipal Department will supply similar information in regard to public bodies.

(True Extract.)

Hedrick Hill

Chief Secretary.

To the Superintendent, Archaeological Survey, with list.
" Departments of the Secretariat,

Exd. A. Raitt.

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Directing that the statement of the actual expenditure from 1887-88 to 1890-91 and the estimated expenditure during 1891-92 on the preservation of buildings of historical and architectural interest be forwarded to the Superintendent, Archæological Survey, for early scrutiny, report and return.

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