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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

Read—the following paper :—

From A. REA, Esq., Superintendent, Archæological Survey, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Bangalore, 26th September 1893, No. 359.

With reference to paragraph 3 of G.O., dated 7th October 1891, No. 2683 W., Public Works, I have the honour to submit budget estimate for conservation works proposed during 1894–95.

2. Two rough estimates have been received from Superintending Engineers amounting to Rs. 380, *i.e.*—

	Rs.
Superintending Engineer, VI Circle — clearance of vegetation from the Fort at Dindigul	370
Superintending Engineer, I Circle — clearance of vegetation from the Buddhist caves and structural remains at Guntapalle, Gódávari district *	10
Total ...	380

* The rough estimate is marked 1893–94, but I think this is intended for 1894–95.

3. A sum of Rs. 600 would be sufficient to meet these and any other works which are likely to be proposed.

No. 1758, Financial.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

Ootacamund,
4th October 1893.

(Signed) A. T. PRINGLE,
Assistant Secretary.

Order—dated 16th October 1893, No. 2638 W., Public Works.

Communicated to Superintending Engineers and the Consulting Architect to Government for information.

2. A sum of Rs. 600 will be provided in the Provincial Civil Works budget for 1894–95 for the conservation of archæological works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. HANNAN,
Ag. Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
General, Buildings and Roads Branch.

To Superintending Engineers.
„ the Consulting Architect to Government.
„ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ the Financial Department.

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GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of {1893} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 16th.

Read. *Encl.*

G.O., 16th Oct. 1893, No. 2638 W.

OCTOBER.

Budget Estimate

Orders on the — of conservation works during 1894–95.

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18TH MAY 1893, No. 1332 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers:—

From Colonel A. T. FRASER, R.E., Superintending Engineer, III Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Bellary, 9th March 1893, No. 3266.

I have the honour to forward for your sanction plan and estimate, amounting to Rs. 3,240, for repairing and improving the Gurrumkondah Mahal and out-houses, Vayalpad taluk, Cuddapah district.

No. 1558 C.

Forwarded to the Public Department for remarks by the Superintendent, Archæological Survey.

2. The building is entered as item No. 103 in the list of monuments issued with G.O., dated 24th July 1891, No. 621, Public. A former estimate for improvements, amounting to Rs. 3,277, was sanctioned in G.O., dated 11th January 1890, No. 68 W.

(Signed) G. T. WALCH,
Ag. Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

6th April 1893.

No. 684, Public.

Forwarded to the Superintendent, Archæological Survey, for remarks.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

10th April 1893.

From A. REA, Esq., Superintendent, Archæological Survey, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Camp Mercara, 16th April 1893, No. 165.

Adverting to reference in the Public Department, No. 684, dated 10th April 1893, I have the honour to state that I have examined the estimate for repairs to the Gurrumkondah Mahal. It seems to contain everything necessary to put the building into a thorough state of repair. It is also mentioned that due regard will be paid to the preservation of the ancient architectural features of the structure.

2. I understand the primary object of the restoration is to make the building suitable as a rest-house and store-house for Public Works implements. It would thus seem that the expenditure, or at least the greater portion of it, should be charged to other than the conservation grant, for a much smaller outlay would be sufficient if the only object was to effect such urgent repairs as would prevent further decay.

No. 818, Public.

Transferred to the Public Works Department and the previous papers returned.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

5th May 1893.

ORDER—dated 18th May 1893, No. 1332 W., Public Works.

The estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,760, for improvements to the Mahal at Gurrumkondah in the Cuddapah district is sanctioned for execution from the current year's grant to the Cuddapah division under Provincial Civil Buildings, Minor Original Works.

2. The estimate of Rs. 1,480 for repairs to the building is returned to the Superintending Engineer for sanction and execution.

3. In carrying out the works, care should be taken to preserve the ancient architectural features of the Mahal.

4. The sanction accorded in para. 1 has been registered as Provincial No. 23 W. of 1893–94 and classified as Civil Buildings, Original Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. HANNAN,
Ag. Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
General, Buildings and Roads Branch.

To the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, with plan and estimates (9).
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ Public Department.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of {1893} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 18*th*.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 18th May 1893, No. 1332 W.

MAY.

Mahal at Gurrumkondah

Estimate of Rs. 1,760 for improvements to the — in the Cuddapah district, sanctioned, and the estimate of Rs. 1,480 for repairs to the building returned to the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, for sanction.

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25TH SEPTEMBER 1893, No. 2464 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers:—

From the Executive Engineer, Trichinopoly Division, to the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, dated 31st August 1893, No. 301 S.E.

I have the honour to inform you that, on the 21st instant, I inspected the Brahadiswaraswami temple at Gangaikondasholapuram * and found the front gopura in a very dangerous state and which should, in my opinion, be demolished. With the exception of the top brick wall, called sthupi (சுதை), all the rest is of cut stone. Many stones have already fallen and the remainder is liable to collapse at any time. The gopura is also overgrown with vegetation. The temple authorities wish it demolished and, from what I understand, are prepared to rebuild it at their own cost.

* Serial No. 30 in the list of monuments selected for conservation in the Trichinopoly district.

No. 801 T.C.

Copy submitted to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, for information. If the temple authorities are willing to rebuild the structure, they might also carry out the demolition. The gopura, from the Executive Engineer's report, appears to be beyond repair, and it seems doubtful whether it need be retained in the list of monuments to be conserved, as the Tanjore temple, belonging to the same class and period, contains, I believe, several gopuras of similar design to the one at Gangaikondasholapuram.

TRICHINOPOLY, 4th September 1893. (Signed) W. L. C. BADDELEY, Major, R.E., Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.

No. 827 D.

Referred to the Public Department for remarks by the Superintendent, Archæological Survey.

11th September 1893. (Signed) J. HANNAN, Ag. Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

No. 1619, Public.

Forwarded to the Superintendent, Archæological Survey, for remarks.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND, 13th September 1893. (Signed) A. T. PRINGLE, Assistant Secretary.

From A. REA, Esq., Superintendent, Archæological Survey, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Bangalore, 15th September 1893, No. 342.

Adverting to reference, dated 13th September 1893, No. 1619, Public, I have the honour to report as follows.

2. The gopura, at my last inspection, was in a dangerous state, and, if it is absolutely impossible to repair it, there seems nothing left but to have it demolished either in whole or part. If this should be decided on, it should be by, and at the expense of, the temple authorities, as their new structure will have no archæological interest whatever. It, however, seems a pity that, if they have sufficient funds to build a new one, they could not have spared a portion of them in preventing the building reaching so dilapidated a state.

3. I believe that there is no necessity for demolishing the whole of the gopura; if the upper part was removed, the dangerous lintels in the central openings could be replaced. The lower part of the structure is, I think, in sufficient repair to carry any new work which it may be decided to erect on it.

4. It is stated that the Tanjore temple contains several similar gopuras; but, though the two temples are of one age, the Tanjore gopuras are of ordinary brick construction and several centuries later in date. Stone-built gopuras of such a height are very unique. The Gangaikondasholapuram gopura is the only one of the date which I know to exist.

No. 1649, Public.

Transferred to the Public Works Department and the referred paper returned.

OOTACAMUND,
18th September 1893.

(Signed) A. T. PRINGLE,
Assistant Secretary.

ORDER—dated 25th September 1893, No. 2464 W., Public Works.

The Superintending Engineer will ascertain whether the temple authorities are willing to repair the gopura in the manner suggested in paragraph 3 of the letter from the Superintendent, Archæological Survey. It should not be wholly demolished if this can be avoided.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. HANNAN,
Ag. Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
General, Buildings and Roads Branch.

To the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.
„ Public Department.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of {1893} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated September, 25th.

Read. *Encl.*

G.O., 25th Sept. 1893, No. 2464-W.

SEPTEMBER.

Brahadiswaraswami Temple

The Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, directed to ascertain whether the temple authorities are willing to repair the front gopura of — at Gangaikondasholapuram in Trichinopoly district in manner suggested by the Superintendent, Archæological Survey.

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Letter from Deputy Collector, Ariyalur to the Collector of Trichinopoly No 879. Dated 21st December/93.

In returning herewith Revenue B.R. No 2030/93, 23-10-93, 2nd Rev: and No 2030 25/11/93 & 2963 5/12/93 have the honor to inform you that Subrahmanya Pillai one of the Dharmakartas of the Brahadiswaraswami Temple at Gangaikondasholapuram states that the Dharmakartas are prepared to repair the Gopuram in question at the Devasthanam expense but that it is impossible for them to demolish the upper part of the gopuram, being in a dangerous state, & requests therefore that it be demolished by Govt - He further states that it will take two years for them to repair the building in question after the upper part of the gopuram is removed. As the temple Committee members & the Dharmakartas are not on good terms, I think that repairs are not likely to be carried on by them.

No 1897 28/12/93

(True Copy) Forwarded to the Executive Engr Trichinopoly with reference to his letter

No

SUPG. ENGINEERS OFFICE
No. 1/13441
3 JAN. 94
P.W.D.
SIXTH CIRCLE.

No 400. Bs. dated 17-10-93.
The G.O. is returned.

/sd/ Tyeb Abhasee Patchah
For Sg Collector

(Show copy)

Executive Engineer
Erukkay Dn
2/1/94.

DLS.1
24/54

Encls to CW 513 E
2/1/94.

18/7

Letter from C. H. J. Norfor Esqr, Executive Engineer Trichinopoly Dn to the Supt. Engineer VI circle No 513 E dated 2d January 1894.

With reference to your Endorsement No 973-TC dated 7 October/93 on G.O No 2464 N dated 25 September/93, I have the honor to forward herewith for your information a copy of the General Charge Dy: Collectors letter No 879 dated 21 Decr/93 bearing the Collectors Endorsement No 1097 dated 28 Decr/93 regarding the repair of the front Gopura of Brahadiswaraswamie Temple at Gangaikondacholapuram in the Udaiyarpoliam Taluq:

No 1441-TC

Copy together with the

Encls 1 Copy of Signature of Dy Collrs letter No 879 dt 21-12-93.

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endorsee is submitted to the Chief Engineer D.P.W, with reference to G.O No 2464 W dated 25' September 1893, with a request that we may be permitted to demolish the upper part of the building so as to render the building safe which it is not at present.

Asstmark Lt Col RE
Supt Engineer Viziadg

Supt Engr offices Vizag.
Forwarded. 2
5' January 1894. 3
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P. W. CURRENT No. 24

No 118. W&I/15 January 1894

W
10 Jan

From

The Supt. Engineer
VI circle.

To

The Chief Engineer
P.W.D.

The upper portion of the gopura may be demolished, as suggested.

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No 1441-TC
Dated 5 January 1894
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Brahadiswaraswami Temple at Gangaikonda-cholapuram, Trichinopoly Dist. ——

Reporting on the repairs to the front gopura of —— & requesting permission to demolish the upper portion of the building.

No 2437 W 4/10-9-91
" 8278-11-9-93
" 2464 W-2[illegible]-9-93

DESPATCHED
16 JAN. 94

S.E. VI circle
Public Dept

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