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To

The Public Works Dept

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to the Supy. Engineer
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Proceedings, dated 24 October 1895
No. 2163

Subject.

Communicating to the
Public Works Dept letter
from the Insp. General
of Prisons regarding certain
repairs to the taluk office
Chidambaram and the
construction of a sub jail
there on the standard
design, with the remark
that the Govt. considers
the construction of a
new sub jail at Chidam-
baram to be unnecessary.

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considering a new building necessary is different from the reasons stated by the Superintending Engineer and consists in the fact that one sentry has to guard both Treasury and Subjail which are 40 feet apart. I am not inclined to attach much importance to this point, as I think a sentry can easily guard cells and Treasury 18 yards apart and the necessity of patrolling may help to keep ^{him} awake.

3. It would be an advantage to have the locking arrangements of this (as of all Subjails) arranged on the improved Bengal method, by which the lock is out of the inmates' reach, and this would be attained by the erection of new buildings, I am aware, however, that the Government considers an occasional escape to be not sufficient reason for expenditure on buildings, and from this point of view a new Subjail is certainly not necessary.

4. The Superintending Engineer's remarks regarding the introduction of prohibited articles need not be considered as such articles will find their way into any Subjail.

O R D E R, dated 24th. October 1895, No. 2163.

The Inspector General's letter will be communicated to the Public Works Department with the remark that the Government considers the construction of a new Sub Jail at Chidambaram to be unnecessary.

(True extract)

Ag. Under Secretary,

for Chief Secretary.

To,

The Public Works Department.

.. Inspector General of Prisons.

.. District Magistrate, South Arcot.

Judicial Department.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers—

Proceedings of the Public Works Department, dated 25th April 1895, No. 975W.

From the Inspector General of Prisons, dated 30th September 1895, No. C. 1018.

In reply to Mr. Davidson's Endorsement No. 1096 dated 21st May 1895, I have the honour to state that the insecurity of the ^awards of the Chidambaram Sub Jail as described by the Superintending Engineer Vth. Circle, could be remedied by having the walls ceiled with wooden planking. This would cost little.

2. The District Magistrate, South Arcot, to whom a reference has been made, writes as follows.—

" I have the honour to state that I agree with the Superintending Engineer in thinking that a new Sub Jail should be built on the standard plan and attached to the Taluk office building as shown in the standard design. The present Subjail stands about 40 feet away from the Taluk office building and as the Treasury Guard has to guard the Subjail also, it is very necessary that the Subjail should be in closer proximity to the Treasury room and as this renders a new construction necessary, it had better be on the standard plan".

It will be seen that the District Magistrate's reason for considering