

Public Works (1897) Department.

✓ G.O., No. 1095

DATED 14 July 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Old Barracks, Trepassar: ^{Amplified that} Since it is ^{that} as Mr Cox occupies a portion of the ^{at a mere} nominal rent on the clear understanding that no repairs will be executed. He must continue to pay rent at Rs. 3 per annum as long as he occupies it.

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DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

Letter from the Sufts. Insp., ^Vbirile, N° 202 W dated
24th June 1897.

June 1897
No 18956/8 1479
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building in question to
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To

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Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 6157

Order

I must follow the Engr. Engineer at all. Mr. Cox occupies a building at a mere nominal rent, with the understanding that no repairs will be executed by the tenant. There is a clear contract between the two parties. If Mr. Cox does not like it, he need not renew the contract when its term expires. He must continue to pay rent as Rs. 2 per month as long as he occupies the building. ^{11th 6.7.97} ^{11th} considering the low rate of the rent, Mr. Cox ought to have been made to keep the building in repair.

The Supdt. Engr. From the Supdt. Engineer
S. J. J. J.

Recommendation that no rent should be charged to Mr. Cox from 1st August 1896, is sanctioned under Rule III (CIX), para 28, Ch. I Vol I P.W. Code.

No. 2028.

Dated 24th June 1897

Received 25.6.97

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SUBJECT.

Trifasore old Barack.

Recommending that the rent paid by Mr. Cox for the quarters occupied by him in — may be refunded as per reasons stated.

S. S. I. Engr.
Engr. J. J.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Public Works Department,
Chingleput Division office,
Camp, 20th May 1897.

No 542.

From

J. P. Davidson Esqre
Executive Engineer,
Chingleput Division.

To

The Superintending Engineer,
V Circle.

Sir,

On the 29th April 1897, I visited Tripassur, and inspected the quarters occupied by Mr. Cox. These quarters have not been repaired, I think, since 1881, and as a natural result of this proceeding a portion of them eventually fell in.

2. The fact that the tenant Mr. Cox, a very old man, escaped without injury is a matter for congratulation. I do not think that the true position can be understood, as it is inconceivable that Government would continue to charge a rental of Rs. 3 per mensem for a building on which no expenditure on repairs is permitted.

I have the honour to ask your perusal of G.O. No 1537 W of 9th June 1893: in this it is ordered that the rental of Rs. 3 per mensem is to be continued, but as the building forms a portion of the old Tripassur Barracks, under G.O. No 31 W of 8-1-81 no repairs to it are permitted or at any rate none have been done since that

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(put up)

that date. Mr. Cox's monthly salary or pension and salary combined amount, I am told to Rs. 25 and from this he pays and has paid for many years a monthly rental of Rs. 3 or 12 p.c. for quarters which have been allowed to become so disreputable and dilapidated that a portion of the roof at last falls in. Surely if injury had occurred to Mr. Cox Government would have been responsible.

3. Once it was decided not to keep these buildings in repair, the pensioners, and other occupants ought to have been allowed to occupy them rent free, at their own risk.

In his note printed with G.O. No 1537 W of 9th June 93 the Examiner distinctly says that the quarters may be given rent free, and that they were not so given, is only intelligible on the supposition that the position was not understood. I find that Mr. Cox is not a pensioner but was specially permitted to live in the quarters he occupied vide G.O. No 1451 W of 9-6-86. he is now and has been, in hospital for the last two months; the roof of his quarters as reported in this office No

1986 fell in, in August last. I am

26.9.96 of opinion that from the date of the collapse of the building at the very least if not from a considerably earlier period the rent paid by Mr. Cox should be refunded to him.

I have the honour
to be

Certainly not.
R.H.

Wrong.
R.H.

The Examiner has no power
to give orders.
R.H.

to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) J. P. Davidson,
Executive Engineer.

No 202 W.

Copy to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department with the remark that no rent whatever should ~~certainly~~ be charged to Mr. Cox ~~under~~ 18th August 1896, for favour of orders.

C. Davidson
24/6/97
Lt. Colonel R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, V Circle.

24 June 1897.

D. 23.6.97