

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 296-297 W.

DATED 29 January 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Collector's Office at Vizagapatam. Letter from the Director General of Telegraphs on the subject of the transfer of the — for use as a Telegraph Office from the Revenue Dept. and the Director General advised to be informed that the assurance asked for by him cannot be given and that the construction of the new Telegraph Office at Vizagapatam may be proceeded with.

Collector's Office at Vizagapatam. Stating that the assurance asked for viz: that the existing — will be transferred to the Telegraph Dept. within some fixed period cannot be given, and suggesting that the construction of the new Telegraph Office be proceeded with.

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LETTER—from

THE HON'BLE COLONEL D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

To

THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TELEGRAPHS.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 7527, dated 15th January 1897, and in reply to state that it will probably be several years before the construction of a new office for the Collector of Vizagapatam can be taken in hand. The assurance asked for in paragraph 5 of your letter, viz., that the existing Collector's office will be transferred to your department within some fixed period, say two years, cannot therefore be given, and I am to suggest that the construction of the new Telegraph office be proceeded with.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.FORT ST. GEORGE,
29th January 1897.

Exd. Md. Pahlivan.

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JANUARY.

Collector's Office at Vizagapatam

Letter from the Director-General of Telegraphs on the subject of the transfer of the — for use as a Telegraph office, communicated to the Revenue Department, and the Director-General ordered to be informed that the assurance asked for by him cannot be given and that the construction of the new Telegraph office at Vizagapatam may be proceeded with.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
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READ—the following paper:—

From C. H. REYNOLDS, Esq., Director-General of Telegraphs, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Calcutta, the 15th January 1897, No. 7527.

With reference to your letter, No. 3465 W., dated the 4th of December 1896, I have the honour to state that the old Government building at Vizagapatam used as a Telegraph office has been condemned as unsafe, and an estimate has been sanctioned for building a new office on the same site amounting to Rs. 11,350, of which Rs. 3,000 has been provided for expenditure in 1896-97 and Rs. 8,300 have been sanctioned in the Telegraph buildings schedule for 1897-98. Rs. 500, I am informed, has already been spent this year, and it is anticipated, unless immediate action is taken, the whole Rs. 3,000 will be expended.

2. While the work of building is going on, the Telegraph office has been accommodated, rent-free, in a house known as the Army school lent to us by the Military Department.

3. Your letter under reply informs me for the first time of the proposal to transfer to the Telegraph Department for use as a Telegraph office the building now occupied as a Collector's office in the event of a new building being constructed for that officer, and I am further informed that the transfer is not likely to be possible for at least two years.

4. I learn on enquiry that we may continue to occupy, rent-free, the Army school building on the condition that it is vacated at a week's notice if required for the Military Department.

5. I am informed by the local Superintendent that the present Collector's office has sufficient accommodation and that the site is suitable, and I have no objection to taking it over for a Telegraph office provided I can be assured that the transfer will be within some fixed period, say two years, and that the Military Department will allow us to continue to occupy the Army school building as we now do until the transfer is made.

6. I shall be glad of very early information as to the decision the Madras Government may come to on this, as if the transfer is decided on it will be necessary to stop further expenditure against the estimate for the new Telegraph building now in course of erection.

ORDER—No. 296 W., dated 29th January 1897.

Communicated to the Revenue Department, with reference to paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 3464 W., dated 4th December 1896.

2. The Director-General of Telegraphs will be informed that the assurance asked for in paragraph 5 of his letter cannot be given, and that the construction of the new Telegraph office at Vizagapatam may be proceeded with.

[Here enter No. 297 W., dated 29th January 1897.]

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Revenue Department.

„ Superintending Engineer, I Circle.

Exd. Md. Pahlivan.

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Stamp: 29-1-97

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Read the following

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Handwritten: The D. G. of Telegraphs No 7527 of 15-1-97.

Handwritten: Communicated to
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Handwritten: Rev. Dept ✓
 S. S. I. C. ✓ 4/2/97

Handwritten: H. B. No 297 W of 29-1-97
 to the Dir. Genl of Telegraphs

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Yours &c
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Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 697

For Orders

In the Rev. Bd's Proc. of
13.1.96, confirmed by Rev. G.O.
No. 4593 of 16.11.96 (No. 3464 W
of 4.12.96, para B) it was re-
solved that the question of constructing
a new office for the Collector of Vizagapatam
be deferred for a year or two longer.
If the question is considered two years
hence, & it is then decided to con-
struct a new office, the preparation
of plans and estimates will have
to be undertaken, & this will be
a work of several months. After
actual construction begins, the work
cannot proceed very fast, as the
annual grants will not be very large
with the small total assignment under
the new contract. The Collector's office
at Calicut, under more favorable
conditions, was 6 years in construction.
It may be 10 years therefore before
the Collector's office at Vizagapatam is
available for transfer to the Telegraph
Dept. On the whole therefore it seems
advisable to let the Telegraph Dept.
provide a new office for themselves. The
existing Collector's office can probably be
sold to advantage hereafter (vide the
Rev. Bd's Proceedings) & the money will
be credited to Provincial funds.

From

The Director General
of Telegraphs.

No. 7527

Dated 15. 1. 97
Received 20. 1. 97
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SUBJECT.

Collector's office at Vizagapatam. Regarding
the transfer of the —
for use as a Telegraph office.

Such an assurance as the D.G. of Telegraphs
asks for cannot be given.
The course suggested above is affd.

P. W. 29.
2,000-16-11-96.

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No.	Date.
Memo. No. 4861C	15-12-96
S.O. No. 3464-SW	4-12-96
" 3489W	5-12-96
Memo. No. 4520C	30-11-96
S.O. 3058-9W	28-10-96
" 480W	1-3-95

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C. H. M. S. 2 P. M.

Director General of Telegraphs.