

Public Works (1898) Department.

EXAMINER,
P. W. ACCOUNTS.
20 AUG. 1898.

G.O., No. 16-17 W

DATED 6 January 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

Rattan blinds or "Chicks": Orders that the inclusion of — among the fixtures which are to be supplied by the Engineer in the case of every building constructed by the P.W.D., be suggested for the consideration of the Govt of India.

The Govt of India addressed

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Chepauk, Madras,

12 October 1897

G. S. T. Harris, Esq.,

Consulting Architect

to the Government of Madras,

The Chief Engineer

Public Works Department

Sir,

Enclosures.

I have the honour to forward a copy of letter No. 650 A/S dated 28th September to 1897 from the Examiners, P. W. Accounts, Madras, for necessary action. I am strongly of opinion that the "chicks" are essential for protection from the weather. The verandahs of both Government Houses are entirely open, supported as they are by very high slender masonry columns.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

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Consulting Architect to Govt.

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OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
Chepák, 189 .

No.

Copy of a communication from the Examiner of P & A
Accounts Madras to the Consulting Architect
to Government, No. 1504 dated 28th September 1897.

In reply to your letter No 1614 dated 8th instant forwarding copy of letter No 278 dated 31st August 1897 from the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor to your address, I have the honour to state that though the Military Secretary's letter alludes to mats as well as to chicko, the only real question that presents itself for decision is in relation to the latter, as mats (or matting) are clearly shown in the printed list of items forming the annexure to G. O. No 613 W dated 7th March 1893 the supply and repair of which has to be met (and as I understand always has been met) from the Special grant of Rs 5,000 placed at His Excellency the Governor's disposal for the purpose.

I agree with the Military Secretary that chicko, which I believe involve a very large item of annual expenditure in connection with the Government Houses in this Presidency, are not necessarily

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arely stands in the sense used the list and if you can say that the "cheeks" in question are specially for the purpose of protecting the buildings from the effects of the weather, it would seem reasonable that the cost of their replacement and repair should form a charge against the ordinary repairs of your Division.

3. This, however, is only an opinion, and there is I think a sufficient element of doubt in the matter to render it advisable for you to refer the point through the Local Government to Government of India for orders.

(True copy)

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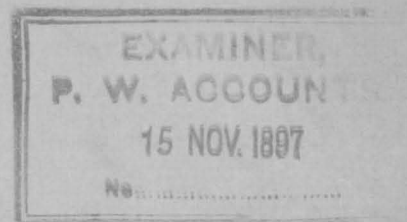
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Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 4073

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From

The Consulting Architect
to the Government
of Madras.

No. 2167

No 4695 CD 12th November 1897

Order O. U.

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For favour of
remarks.

Dated 6th November 1897

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SUBJECT.

Suggesting that the supply & repair of rattan blinds to Public buildings should be in the hands of the P. W. Deptt.

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P. W. ACCOUNTS.
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No. 2107

Office of the Consulting Architect to Govt.
Chepauk, Madras,
6th November 1897.

From

G. S. T. Harris, Esq.,

Consulting Architect

to the Government of Madras.

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The Chief Engineer

Public Works Department

Sir,

Enclosures.

I have the honour to bring
to your notice that the Examiners P. W.
Accounts will not permit expenditure
in rattain blinds or their repair. By
Chapter & § IV. of the District P. W. Code
they are not fixtures.

2. In this Presidency rather a
blinds appear to be necessities in all
veranda's exposed to the sun.

3. To ensure proper hanging & repairs and to avoid any irregularities, the supply & repairs of these blinds should I consider be in the hands of the P. W. Department.

I would therefore suggest that this matter be represented, and that the

words "rattan blind in the Madras Presidency"
be inserted in para 2 Chapter & after the
word "fun Kaho" vol. I

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
C. David
Consulting Architect
to Government.

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Public Works (189) Department.

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The Consulting Architect
to the Government
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SUBJECT,

Reporting the average
annual expenditure
incurred on the repairs &
renewal of chairs at
Govt. Houses Madras
& Quindly.

FURTHER PAPERS.

Public Works (1897) Department.

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From The Examiner, P. W. Acety,
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No. 3660 B/A

Dated 20th November 1897

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SUBJECT.

Supply of rattan blinds
to Public Buildings —
stating with remarks that
the P. W. Department is unable
to undertake the —

BACK PAPERES.

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OF MADRAS. }

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DEPT.

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 20th November 1897.

OFFICE NOTE No. 3660 03/A

To
W.

Your Office Note No. 4695 C
dated 12th. November 1897.

The supply of chicks (or blinds)
by this Department is restricted to
buildings occupied as residences vide
G.O. No. 832 W dated 27th. March 1893.
It is therefore for Government to
extend the application of this rule
to buildings other than residences;
but I would invite a reference to Code
I.X.4 according to which this Depart-
ment is precluded from supplying Purdahs
or Tatties which are practically the
same thing.

20.11.97

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20/11/97

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated

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Again G.O., dated

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Current No. 11073 of 1897, dated 6. 11. 97, from the C.A. to Govt.
" " 11628 " 1897, " 20. 11. 97, " - *See P.W.*
" " 10109 " 1897, " 12. 10. 97, " - *Comp. and*
" " 11455-97 - 16. 11. 97, " - *—*

ORDER.

No 16 W 3 6-1-98

The Govt. of India
will be addressed.

H.S. No 17 W 3 6-1-98
To the Secy to the Govt. of India.
Sir,

I am directed to
request you to get for the
consideration of the Govt.
of India, that rotten
blinds, or "chills" as
they are ^{commonly called} familiarly known
in this Presidency, may
be included in Part 2
Chapter I Vol I P.W. Code
among the fixtures which
are to be supplied by
the Executive Engineer in
the case of every building
constructed by the P.W.
Dept. These chills

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16.12.97

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Secy P.W. ✓
H.H.

are essential for the
exclusion of the sun
and glare from most
public buildings, ^{and} ^{all} ^{is} ^{also} ^{necessary} ^{for} ^{the} ^{protection}
as their cost is considerable, of the fabric from the injury
it must well be met by wind and rain.

from office contingencies.
In the case of a large
hospital for instance,
while blinds are absolutely
necessary, their cost may
be several thousands of
Rupees, and this item
should form a charge
against the estimate
for the work. These "blinds"
should be taken as
distinct from "pandols
or latties" mentioned in
para 4 of the same chapter,
the latter being
probably the very perish-
able bamboo ^{or grass} articles
used during the hot
weather, while "blinds"
are substantial rotten
blinds, ^{often} ^{made} ^{of} ^{wood} ^{or} ^{grass} ^{and} ^{are} ^{often} ^{lined} ^{with} ^{cloth},
& lasting for several
years, thus appropriately

bringing them under
the head of fixtures.

2. With regard to
Fort. St. John, the list
of furniture included
in the rules forwarded
with your letter
37 A.S. dated 15 Feb
1887 contains the
items "Blinds", but
by this is probably
meant window blinds,
and, ^{the term} ^{can} ^{never}
include these large
blinds which are
hung round the
verandahs of the
building. It has
been ascertained that
the average annual
expenditure on the
repair & renewal
of blinds at Fort.
St. John, under
Grundy, is about
Rs 1500, and it

is considered that this
large item should
not form a charge
against the moderate
annual allotment for
the removal & repair
of Govt. House furniture,
the chairs moreover
being in no sense
furniture, but
fixtures, the cost of
their removal & repair
should in the opinion
of this Govt. be included
in the annual repair
estimate of the building.

3. Certain recent
extensive additions
to the General Hospital
at Madras were about
to be handed over to
the medical authorities,
but the latter pointed
out that chairs had
not been provided, &
that without them the
rooms would be

uninhabitable for
patients. Under the
rules in the P.W.D.
the Comptroller & Auditor
who was in charge of
the construction of
the building, was
unable to supply these
chairs, and this Govt.
to admit of the
Hospital accommodation
being brought into
immediate use, was
compelled to order
their supply by
the P.W. Dept.,
leaving the incidence
of the cost to be
decided hereafter.

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