

Public Works (1898) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

DK Jail at Mount Capper, Cuddalore

Ins: Jail Dept
Sanctioning the revised estimates amounting to Rs 286,677 for construction of the Cellular Jail at Cuddalore for the Sept 08, and noting the Commendations of the J.S. officers on the good work done by Messrs Cloney & Kothandaram Mudaliar & Co. & instruct Commendations to be sent to the Government of Madras for the information of the Government of Madras.

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SUBJECT,
 Sanctioning the revised
 estimates amounting to Rs 2,86,677
 for the construction of the cellular
 at Jail at Mount Cabbie,
 Bangalore & noting with
 pleasure the Commendations bestowed
 by the D.G. of Prisons on the work
 done by Mr. Cloney & M. R. Ky.
 Kothandarami Muraviegar.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
	13330	✓	5-3-98
	10050	✓	19-2-98
	5280	✓	27-1-98
	5270	✓	27-1-98
	4253	✓	22-10-97
	2887	✓	14-10-97
	1637	✓	11-10-97
	308	✓	20-4-95

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
	15450	✓	10-4-95
	14200	✓	3-4-95
	12810	✓	6-3-95
	12590	✓	25-3-95
	7360	✓	25-3-95
	3780	✓	1-2-95
	31710	✓	11-12-94
	29350	✓	7-12-94

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper:-

From the Inspector-General of Prisons, Madras, No. 1545, dated 16th April 1896:-

I have the honour to submit for the approval and sanction of Government, revised Plans and Estimates amounting to Rs. 2,86,677 for the construction of the Cellular District Jail which has been built at Mount Capper, Cuddalore, together with the Superintendent's quarters.

2. The original estimates for this work were sanctioned in two separate orders, the first, referring to the Jail and Subsidiary buildings, the second, to the Superintendent's quarters only. The following compares the original and revised estimates for these two connected, but separate, works:

	Original	Revised	Difference
G.O. No. 1936/W, d/ 4th August 1894-	Rs. 2,69,200	274235	5085
G.O. No. 958, Judl., d/ 5th July 1897-	Rs. 2,700	12394	2394
Total...	Rs. 2,78,900	286677	7777

The excess of the revised over the original estimate amount to 2.8 per cent on the original Public Works Estimate, which will not, it is believed, be found excessive.

3. The causes of the excess of Rs. 5,083 on the Jail and Subsidiary buildings will be apparent from an examination of the Statement of Differences herewith submitted. The original estimate omitted to provide for certain items, the chief item among these being one of Rs. 1,059 for filling up the deep trench which surrounded the old Jail. The remainder of the

excess

excess of the revised over the original estimate is due to certain variations introduced into the Plans in the course of construction. The most important of these was, the conversion of the Hospital, Under-trial and Female yards into circular enclosures, instead of being, as originally designed rectangular. The result of this change is, that the yards can be kept completely closed by day and night, because they do not abut at any point on the main-wall, whereas, at Tanjore, Palamcottah, and other Jails, where the enclosing walls of yards abut on the Main wall, the gates of these yards have to be open at night, and often by day too, because, when shut, they form an aid to escape. This is now being rectified at the Tanjore and Palamcottah Jails. As a set off against the additional expense caused by adopting circular enclosures, a saving of Rs. 4,560 was effected by omitting the proposed palisading round the Workshop which was found to be unnecessary. The other variations are explained in the Comparative Statement of Differences.

4. The cause of the excess of Rs. 2,694 in the revised estimate for the Superintendent's bungalow is due to the fact, that the original estimate omitted the value of convict labour while the revised estimate shows the value of the work at Public Works rates. When the original estimate was submitted with my letter No. C. 1399, dated 30th May 1897, it was not known that Mr. Cloney had limited the cost shown therein to the actual expenditure necessary to complete the buildings. It was supposed that the estimate for the Superintendent's residence had been framed on the same principle as all the other estimates relating to the Jail, that is, on Public Works rates, and, if it had been stated by Mr. Cloney in forwarding the estimate that this principle had been departed from, the estimate would have been sent back for revision. Owing to this not having been done, there is an apparent excess of Rs. 2,694 in the revised estimate. The Superintendent's

Bungalow

...the sum of Rs. 2,700, representing, not exact expenditure, but the difference between the estimated cost of the building and the actual cost of construction by the Jail Department.

5. The estimated cost of the Jail building at Bangalore, including the Superintendent's house, being thus, as Public Works rates, Rs. 2,88,777. The actual expenditure which has been incurred, the further expenditure expected to be necessary, and the saving effected is shown in the following statement:-

A. Jail & Residential Buildings.	
Amount of Revised Estimate	2,74,222
Actual expenditure up to 1st March 1895	1,91,000
Amount required to complete the building (including the Superintendent's house)	83,222
Saving	83,222

B. Superintendent's Residence	
Amount of Revised Estimate	12,324
Actual expenditure up to 1st March 1895	7,770
Amount required to complete the building	4,554
Saving	4,554

Total Jail and Buildings	
Amount of Revised Estimate	2,86,546
Actual expenditure up to 1st March 1895	1,98,770
Amount required to complete the works	87,776
Saving	87,776

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*None
No - his estimate
has been made
to work under the
G.O. of 1895
- via notification
of 25-3-95
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The figures of actual expenditure have been given as being not including the pay of the Sub-Engineer (Assistant Engineer) who was deputed from the Public Works Department to superintend the work. It is known that the professional part of the work, under Mr. Cloney, has been left with the Public Works Department for execution, a Subordinate of the same grade would have been deputed to have charge of the work, and his pay would, of course, not have been regarded as a charge against the Jail Department, but, would have been an item of expenditure. In this respect, therefore, the fact that the work has been carried out by the Jail Department makes no difference.

6. The work at Bangalore was completed at the end of January 1895, and the Jail building had then been completed, (except a little painting of the iron doors and the construction of drains in the Jail enclosure) by the middle of March 1895. The work, therefore, took a little over three years. Mr. Cloney's removal from Bangalore in October 1891 to act as Superintendent of the Central Jail, Vellore, interrupted the continuous execution of the work. But for this the Jail building would probably have been finished a few months earlier. It is not too much to say that, the entire success of the undertaking is due to this officer's energy, tact and ability.

The Assistant Engineer, Mr. Kottamur, has been deputed to Bangalore with a view to his steadiness, care and thoroughness during the whole period of construction. It was, on Mr. Cloney, however, that the whole of the organization of the building was laid out, and he devoted, to the work, a great deal of his time and energy. He had the honor of being the first to enter the Jail and he has since been to it to attend to the health of his prisoners. This has been excellent, as the figures in the margin show, and all dispute or difficulty with the Public Works Department has been carefully avoided.

Death rate	
All work done has been examined and	1895-7.29 per mille
passed by the Local Public Works officers,	1896-12.17 "
	1897-16.33 "

28.698

and has been found to be of thoroughly good quality. In con-
 sideration I beg to commend Mr. O'Leary's very special services
 in this connection to the particular attention of Government
 and to express the hope that they will not go unrewarded.
 Y. When the Plans have been seen by Government, it is
 proposed to have a notation from them in response to have
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 dated 25th November 1901. It is therefore requested that they
 may be returned to this office when no longer required.

O R B N R : No. 985, dated 24th June 1902.

The revised estimates in question amounting to £2,825 17s
 are submitted.
 2. The comments forwarded by the Inspector-General on
 the work done by Mr. O'Leary and M. J. W. K. O'Leary are
 Averaged and noted with thanks.

(Yours faithfully)

Handwritten signature

For Chief Secretary.

Handwritten initials

To
 The Inspector-General of Prisons (with enclosures)
 ... Public Works Department
 ... Provincial Department