Public Works (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 211 I

DATED 14 March 98

14/3/98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Rest-house and outhouses at Mutthikolam. Estimates amounting to Rs. 9430 for constructing — sanctioned.

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W.S. Mis

Please put up the estimate for
Constg Out houses at Mutthikulam
with this file & return file for
Engagement of the E.E. At 1st St. 14/3/98
any the other papers belonging to this file retained in W. Office

Regd & Desd 14-3-98

J. E. J.
14/3/98

Indexed. 15/3.

[P. W. 56.
1,000—12-2-98.]

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ACCOUNT.

Government (1898) of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

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Regd. } *Spare copies*

G.O., No. 211 I., 14th March 1898.

MARCH.

Rest-house and out-houses at Muthikolam

Estimates amounting to Rs. 9,430 for constructing —, sanctioned.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Irrigation.
Account.

Read—the following papers:—

From J. HANNAN, Esq., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated 7th October 1897, No. 204/I.

With reference to your memo. No. IV/32 C.I., dated 24th September 1897, I have the honour to inform you that an expenditure of Rs. 6,010 has been already incurred on the construction of a rest-house at Muthikolam in anticipation of sanction to the estimate.

Under the following circumstances Mr. Ashpitel in his inspection notes under date 30th March 1895 made certain proposals regarding the Muthikolam project. These notes were forwarded to you with this office No. 127 I., dated 14th July 1896. Amongst other proposals he advocated the construction at once of a bungalow and out-houses. His proposals generally including this particular one were approved by me; but I did not intend my approval to authorize the immediate construction of the bungalow without the submission for sanction of the plan and estimate. I left Coimbatore on privilege leave on 1st April 1896 not returning until the beginning of July. So I was not aware of Mr. Ashpitel's further action in this matter. The revised estimate amounting to Rs. 25,000 for the investigation of this project was submitted on the 23rd May 1896. This estimate included the cost of the bungalow. Your memo. No. IV/19 C.I., dated 7th August 1896, directing me to stop all further investigation on the project, which could be stopped without loss, was received by me on 16th August and communicated to the Executive Engineer on 17th. In reply the Executive Engineer informed me that the materials for the bungalow were collected and as the work could not therefore be stopped without loss to Government. I sanctioned his proposal to proceed with it. Even if the project is to be stopped the building will be useful as a forest bungalow. It will also be useful to officers of this department in prospecting for similar projects. It is by no means improbable that investigations on the western side of these hills may not lead to the discovery of a much better project than the present one, but without a bungalow up here, the necessary investigations are not likely to be effectually carried out.

To the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, No. IV/39-C.I., dated 1st November 1897.
From the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, No. 255/I., dated 10th December 1897.
Telegram to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, No. 85, dated 17th December 1897.

From A. H. GARRETT, Esq., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Coimbatore, 21st January 1898, No. 14/I.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your telegram, dated 17th December 1897, I have the honour to re-submit for sanction of Government a plan for the Muthikolam rest-shed and out-houses, together with an estimate for the rest-shed amounting to Rs. 5,950.

The total amount of estimate for both the rest-shed and out-houses will be Rs. 9,430, and the sanction of Government is required for this amount.

I may point out that the estimate for the out-houses forwarded with this office, No. 184 I., dated 11th September 1897, was not among the enclosures returned with G.O., No. 902 I., dated 11th October 1897.

I understand from Mr. Malet that nearly everything required for the completion of this bungalow is at site, and it is a pity that it was not completed before the monsoon. There has been no work done since August and the locality is extremely feverish next month. The Executive Engineer will be instructed to make the best arrangements possible for the protection of materials during the monsoon, and it is recommended that work should be resumed at the commencement of the next working season.

No. 61 I.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

In dealing with the revised estimate for the investigation of the Muthikolam project, Coimbatore division, sanctioned in G.O., No. 902 I., dated 11th October 1897, the provision of Rs. 9,430 made in it by the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, for a rest-house and out-houses, which are not necessary at present, was eliminated from the estimate and the Superintending Engineer was informed accordingly.

2. The Superintending Engineer now reports that an outlay of Rs. 6,010 has already been incurred on the construction of the rest-house in anticipation of sanction to the estimate and that nearly everything required for its completion is at site, and states that, even if the project is to be stopped, the building will be beneficial not only as a forest bungalow but also to officers of the Public Works department in prospecting for similar projects.

3. Whatever may be the decision as to the ultimate use of the building, the construction of which was irregularly commenced, it is necessary that the outlay already incurred on it should be regularized.

4. In these circumstances, the estimates for the rest-house and out-houses may be sanctioned.

(Signed) W. HUGHES,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

26th February 1898.

Order—No. 211 I., dated 14th March 1898.

The following estimates are sanctioned:—

Irrigation.
43. Minor Works and Navigation.
Minor Works for which neither Capital nor Revenue Accounts are kept, P.W.D.
Original Works.
Coimbatore Division.

	RS.
Constructing a rest-house at Muthikolam	5,950
Do. out-houses at do.	3,480
Total ...	9,430

2. This sanction is registered as No. 177 I. of 1897–98.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government,
Irrigation Branch.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, with ~~five~~ 7 enclosures.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. P. Seetharam.

Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 2306

Order 2119

From The Chief Engineer for Irrigation

No. 61. I.

Dated 26th February/98.
Received 12.3.98
Enclosures 4 11 (1 plan)
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SUBJECT.

Constructing rest houses & outhouses at Muthukulam — Note recommending with remarks that the estimate of Rs 9430 for — may be sanctd.

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His Excellency the Governor.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
IRRIGATION BRANCH.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the

READ the following

From the Supg. Engineer, Fourth Circle (H.E. No. 204/I dated 7 October 1897).
To — do — do — (H.E. No. IV/39-C.) dated 1 Novr. 1897).
From — do — do — (H.E. No. 255/I dated 10 Decr. 1897).
Telegram to — do — do — (H.E. No. 85 dated 17 December 1897).
From — do — do — (H.E. No. 14/I dated 21 Jany. 1898).

No 61. Iy 26-2-98

Irrigation
Asst

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

In dealing with the revised estimate for the investigation of the Muthikolam project, Coimbatore division, sanctioned in G.O. No. 902-I. dated 11 October 1897, the provision of Rs. 9,430 made in it by the Superg. Engineer, Fourth Circle, for a rest-house and out-houses, which are not necessary at present, was eliminated from the estimate, and the Superg. Engineer was informed accordingly.

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⊙ Vide Memo flagged B.

† Vide letter flagged C

2. The Superg. Engineer now reports that an outlay of Rs. 6,010 has already been incurred on the construction of the rest-house in anticipation of sanction to the estimate and that nearly everything

required for its completion is at site, and states that, even if the project is to be stopped, the building will be beneficial not only as a forest bungalow but also to Officers of the Public Works department in prospecting for similar projects.

3. Whatever may be the decision as to the ultimate use of the building, the construction of which was irregularly commenced, it is necessary that the outlay already incurred on it, should be regularized.

4. In these circumstances, the estimates for the rest-house and out-houses may be sanctioned.

A.S.H.

No 211 I 14.3.98

Order thereon.

The following estimates are sanctioned:—

Irrigation.

43 Minor Works and Navigation.

Minor Works for which neither Capital nor Revenue Accounts are kept, P.W.D.

Original Works.

Coimbatore division.

	Rs
Constructing a rest house at Muttikolam	5950
Constructing out-houses at — do —	3480
	9,430

2. This sanction is registered as No 177 I of 1897-98.

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26/2/98

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Irrigation Secy

A.S.H. 8.3.98

Issue

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7.S.I 12.3.98

1/4/98

To The Chief Engineer for Irrig.
- Supg. Engineer, Fourth Circle with [illegible]
- Examiner, P.W. Accts (I)

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E.I. Form No. 4—100—16 9-96.

not to be printed KCS 9/3/98

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
IRRIGATION BRANCH.

His Excellency the Governor.

READ the following :—

Muttikolam Project Rest House.

Letter from the Superintending Engineer, 4th Circle, No 14-I dated 21st January/98

FOR ~~ORDERS~~. information with reference to the accompanying note and draft order:—

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In dealing with the revised Estimate for the investigation of the Muttikolam project sanctioned in G O No 902 I dated 11th October 1897, the provision of Rs 9,430 made in it by the Superintending Engineer, 4th Circle, for a rest house and out houses which are not necessary ~~at present~~ while the Project

is merely under investigation

was eliminated from the Estimate and the Supdg Engineer was informed accordingly.

Flagged B

Flagged C

2. Mr Hannan in his letter No 204 I, dated 7th October 1897, reported that an outlay of Rs 6,010 had already been incurred on the construction of the rest house in anticipation of Sanction to the Estimate. When the Estimate sanctioned in G O No 902. I, dated 11th October 1897, was submitted to Government, it escaped notice that the Executive Engineer had stated in the report attached to the estimate that there had been an expenditure of Rs 4,960 to end of July else the matter would have been then brought to the notice of Government. The Exe. Engr should have stated clearly that the work had been put in hand as the final paragraph of his report might be taken to imply that this had not been done.

3. It would appear that Mr Ashpitel, when Executive Engineer, Coimbatore Division, in his Inspection Notes of 30th March 1895, made certain proposals regarding the

the project, one of which was the construction at once of a bungalow and out houses. These proposals generally were approved by Mr Hannan who states that he did not intend his approval to authorise the immediate construction of the bungalow without the submission for sanction of the plan and Estimate.

4. In April 1895, Mr deWinton succeeded Mr Ashpitel as Executive Engineer of the division and continued in the appointment till December 1895. From 20th December 1895 to 3rd February 1896, Mr H O'Connell held temporary charge of it, when Mr Ashpitel took charge of the division again and of which he was relieved

in September 1896 by Mr A. Malet, the present Executive Engineer.

FOR ORDERS.

5. Mr Hannan was on privilege leave from 2d April to 7th July 1896. During his absence Mr J. C. Larminie was in charge of the 4th Circle, and, on the 27th May 1896, he submitted for orders a revised estimate, amounting to Rs 25,000, forwarded by Mr Ashpitel, for the investigation of the project ~~and~~ in which provision was made for the bungalow. When this estimate was submitted to Government + H. E. remarked:—

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"It appears that Mr Hannan "has sanctioned the commencement "of the work in anticipation of "the sanction of the Government. "Reasons for this action do not "appear".

In reply to H. E's remark Colonel Drake-Brockman R.E. stated:—

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"Mr Hannan's explanation × "is given in forwarding his "endorsement on the Inspection "Notes of the Executive "Engineer for April 1896. He "states in his letter, No 127, dated "14th July 1896, that these were "all the orders he gave but "they appear to cover the whole "scope of the estimate".

6 The papers referred to above were sent to the Revenue Department and it is understood × that they have been forwarded in original to the Board of Revenue with Rev: G.O. No 137, dated 9th January 1897, and are therefore not available.

× Flagged F

7. Pending the receipt of the

the Collector's opinion on the financial aspect of the project, the Superintending Engineer was, in August 1896, instructed to stop further investigation, if this can be done without loss. Mr Hannan reports that when these orders were communicated to Mr Ashpitel, he informed him that materials for the bungalow were collected, and that as the work could not therefore be stopped without loss, Mr Hannan sanctioned Mr Ashpitel's proposal to proceed with it. The correspondence does not indicate when the unauthorized collection of materials was commenced. It is inferred that it occurred during Mr Hannan's absence on privilege leave, as he notes that, owing to his

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having been on leave, he was not aware of Mr Ashpitel's further action in the matter.

8 Mr Hannan suggests that even if the project is to be stopped, the building will be useful not only as a forest bungalow but also to officers of this Department in prospecting for similar projects. There is nothing to show that the Forest Department will care to have the bungalow and pay for it.

9 Whatever may be the decision as to the ultimate use of the bungalow the construction of which was irregularly commenced, it is necessary that the outlay already incurred on it should be regularized. The Superintending Engineer was

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therefore instructed to submit a fresh estimate for the sanction of Government in which provision should be made for the amount already spent and for such further outlay as may be absolutely required for completing the buildings in an economical manner.

The Superintending Engineer submits the original estimates as the Ex. Engineer reports that the amount cannot be reduced, as the design cannot well be altered and the rates allowed are as low as can be worked to. The estimates are therefore recommended for sanction in the appended note.

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Sec. This is an unsatisfactory transaction. Measures should be taken to prevent the repetition of an irregular and unauthorized proceeding, such as this.

A.S.H.
5.3.98

Circular drafted & fs on the subject by E? & will be issued from I office –
9/3/98

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Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 2 C. I.

Order

From
The Superintending Eng.
Fourth Circle.

No. 14. I.

Dated 21st January 1898
Received 24th do
Registered
Enclosures 4 (1 plan)
Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Muttukolum Rest Shed – Resubmits for sanction of Government plan and estimate amounting to Rs 5950 for constructing – and recommends the resumption of the work in the next working season.

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№ 14/I

Superintending Engineer's office
4th Circle
Coimbatore 21st January 1898.

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From

A. H. Garrett Esq
Superintending Engineer
4th Circle

To,

The Chief Engineer
for Irrigation.

Sir,

Enclosures 4.
1 Detailed estimate
1 Abstract Estimate
1 Data Sheet
1 Tracing.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your telegram dated 17th December 1897, I have the honor to resubmit for sanction of Government, a plan for the Muthie-Kolum Rest shed and out houses, together with an estimate for the Rest shed amounting to Rs 5950.

The total amount of estimate for both the Rest shed and out houses will be Rs: 9430, and the sanction of Government is required for this amount.

I may point out that the estimate for the out houses forwarded with this office No 184 I dated 11th Septr. 1897 was not among the enclosures

In file of Works office
orig G.O. No 902 I
11 Oct 97 - Mhz 26/1/98

returned g.o. 12

returned with G.O. No. 902 I dated 11th October 1897.

I understand from Mr Malet that nearly every thing required for the completion of this Bungalow is at site, and it is a pity that it was not completed before the monsoon. There has been no work done since August and the locality is extremely feverish next month. The Executive Engineer will be instructed to make the best arrangements possible for the protection of materials during the monsoon, and it is recommended that work should be resumed at the commencement of the next working season.

CHIEF ENGINEER
FOR IRRIGATION.
24 JAN 1898
No. 9 C.I.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servant

Superintending Engineer
4th Circle.

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2306/98

Public Works (1897) Department.

No 85 tele
Wire as follows to S.E. IV.
Your No. 255.
Presumed four thousand
rupees not total cost
Muttikulum bungalow
please submit estimate

Order 17/12/97.

Despd 17/12/97

CURRENT No. ~~54 C.I.~~ C.7
2306/98

From The Supg. Engineer
4th Circle

No. 255
I

Dated 10th December 1897
Received 13 — Do —
Registered
Enclosures ✓
Spare copies ✓

SUBJECT.

Muttikolum Bungalow
Reports the progress made in building the — and the amount required to complete the work.

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Executive Engineer's office,
Coimbatore 8th December 1897

No. 4644

FROM,
S.C. Murray Esq.
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
COIMBATORE DIVISION.

TO,
THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER
FOURTH CIRCLE, COIMBATORE.

Sir,

ENCLOSURES.

With reference to your no $\frac{656}{C.I.}$ of 11-11-97, I have the honor to inform you that the following is the state of progress of the Muthikolam Bungalow.

Main Building

(1) Walls built up to an average height of 7' leaving 6 feet more to build, materials for which are ready.

(2) Three fourths of the wood work and Zinc sheeting for the roof are at site.

Out houses

About half the quantity of stone for the walls collected and 1/3 of the roofing materials.

(2) It will take not less than Rs 4000 to complete the main building and out

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out houses according to the revised design and estimate, and this amount cannot be reduced as the design cannot well be altered and the rates allowed are as low as can be worked to.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

S.W. Murray
8/12
Executive Engineer

No 255/I

Forwarded to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation with reference to his Memorandum No 14/39 C.I dated 1st November 1897.

Coimbatore
10th December/97

J Haines
Superintending Engineer
4th Circle

JG 11/12/97

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER P.W.D. FOURTH CIRCLE
No. 943 C.I.
9 DEC 97

CHIEF ENGINEER FOR IRRIGATION.
13 DEC. 1897
No. 54 C.I.

P. W. D.

FROM

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
COIMBATORE DIVISION.

Dated 8th
Despatched 8th
Received
} December 1897

No. 4644

ENCLOSURES.

Subject.

Muthikolam Bungalow
Reports the state of progress of — and that Rs 4000 is required to complete the work

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Public Works (1897) Department.

IRRIGATION BRANCH.

ISSUE No. 39 C.I.

To

The Supg Engr
4th Circle

(Reply to letter No.   , dated   ).

Dated 1-11-97
Despatched 5-11-97
Enclosures*

* Particulars of Enclosures.

SUBJECT.

Muthukolum Bungalow & out houses — Request to report the actual progress made in building the — and collection of materials for these and the cost of completing the building in an economical manner —

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E. I. Form No. 13—2,000—23-2-97.

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Sent to Government with No. I.,

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No 39 C.I. d/1.11.97

S.E. IV

With reference to the S.E.'s No 2041 I dated 7 Oct 1897 he is requested to be good enough to report the actual progress made in building the Muttukulam bungalow and outhouses and collection of materials for them, and the cost (including previous expenditure) of completing the ~~work~~ building in an economical manner to such extent as is absolutely required to render them habitable.

W.H.

1.11.97

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Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 47 C.9

Order

From

The Supg. Engineer
4th Circle

No. 204/9

Dated 7th October 1897.

Received 15 — Do —

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Rest House at Multicolam.

Reports the amount of expenditure incurred on the construction of a — in anticipation of sanction to the estimate. Papers

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15/10/97

Don't send to DE [illegible] before [illegible] is made up
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15/10/97

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Supdg. Engr's Office 4th Circle
7th October 1897

No. 204/I

From
J. Hannan Esq.
Superintending Engineer 4th Circle

To
The Chief Engineer
for Irrigation
Madras

Put up memo
papers & Draft
to Govt. for orders
at all the inspection
notes also see what
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[illegible]
Oct 1895

Sir,

With reference to your Memo. No. I 32.C.I dated 24th September 1897, I have the honor to inform you that an expenditure of Rs: 6010/- has been already incurred on the construction of a Rest House at Muthukulam in anticipation of sanction to the estimate.

Papers
JH
14/10/97

Submitted

Under the following circumstances Mr. Ashpitel in his inspection notes under date 30th March 1895 made certain proposals regarding the Muthukulam Project. These notes were forwarded to you with this office No. 127.I. dated 14th July 1896. Amongst other proposals he advocated the construction at once of a bungalow and outhouses. His proposals generally including this particular one were approved by me but I did not intend my approval to authorize

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Sent to Reve Dept
with Muthukulam
Project file with
E.I. No 64 W dy
9 Dec/96

authorize the immediate construction of the Bungalow without the submission for sanction of the plan and estimate. I left Coimbatore on privilege leave on 1st April 1896 not returning until the beginning of July. So I was not aware of Mr. Ashpitel's further action in this matter. The revised estimate amounting to Rs: 25,000 for the investigation of this Project was submitted on the 23rd May 1896. This estimate included the Cost of the Bungalow. Your Memo: No. 19.C.W. dated 7th August 1896 directing me to stop all further investigation on the Project which could be stopped without loss was received by me on 16th August and communicated to the Executive Engineer on 17th. In reply the Executive Engineer informed me that the materials for the bungalow were collected and as the work could not therefore be stopped without loss to Government. I sanctioned his proposal to proceed with it. Even if the Project is to be stopped the building will be useful as a forest bungalow. It will also be useful to officers of the Department for prospecting for similar Projects. It is by no means improbable that investigations on the western side of these Hills may not lead to the discovery of a much better Project than the present one, but without a bungalow up here, the necessary investigations are not likely to be effectually carried out.

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Sent to Reve Dept with file in R.E.D.'s Note No 64 W dy 9 Dec/96

It was on the opposite side of the valley that Mr Mclel proposed to investigate but there may be other streams nearer the bungalow

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt.

Suptg. Engineer 4th Circle

14 OCT 1897
No. 47 C.I

Ows. 10 / 2306/58

Public Works (1897) Department.

IRRIGATION BRANCH.

IV
ISSUE No. 32C.I

To

The Supg Engineer
4th Circle

(Reply to letter No. , dated).

Dated 24-9-97
Despatched 28-9-97
Enclosures *

* Particulars of Enclosures.

SUBJECT.

Muthukulam Project – States that he cannot recommend the construction of a permanent building and outhouses at Muthukulam until it has been decided to carry out the — and suggests tempy buildings for the parties investigating other projects in the hills.

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No $\frac{\text{IV}}{32\text{CI}}$ d/24-5-97

S E IV.

With reference to the S.E. No $\frac{106}{I}$ d/11 Sept 1897 the undersigned regrets that he cannot recommend the construction of a permanent building and outhouses at Muthukulam until it has been decided to carry out the Project – Grass huts or other such temporary buildings have been found sufficient for the accommodation of parties investigating other projects in the hills and there seems no reason for allowing anything else at Muthukulam.

The above mentioned items will be struck out of the estimate which will thus be reduced to R ~~[illegible]~~ 12070 –

MA.

24/9