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Public Works (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 268 W

DATED ^{Geo} 2 February 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

New flag staff at Govt. House, Detacamund. Estimate of Rs
635 for fixing a —, sanctioned

2/2/98

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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

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R D E R.

The estimate, amounting to Rs 635, for fixing a new flag staff at Government House, Portacarrum is sanctioned.

2. This sanction has been registered as Provincial No. 81 of 1897-98, and classified as Civil Buildings, Original works.

The S. R. W. circle with 3 fields.
" Exar P. W. Accto
" Military Secretary to S. R.
the Governor.

Cu. 21.1.98

25-1-58

Note

This estimate which is dealt with in the accompanying technical note is recommended for sanction.

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Public Works Department

Current No. 57

Letter No. 391

Dated 31 January 1958

From the Building Section to the City Engineer

NOTE BY TECHNICAL SECTION.

Name of work New Flag Staff at Fort
Horne, Ottacumand.

Amount of estimate Rs 635

The estimate under review, amounting to Rs 635, provides for
fixing a new flag staff at Fort
Horne, Ottacumand.

The height of the flag staff over
the existing corrugated iron roof
(or probably the porch) is 35.6'.
base of the wooden shaft is carried
on T iron staking stiffened with
angle iron struts and well secured
to a wooden beam laid over the
roof.

The wooden shaft is further
stiffened by a cast iron cantilever
bracket about 14 feet from the base
into the terrace wall above a window.
This cast iron is 6'9" x 11'6" x
and made to project 1'9" from the
surface of the wall through which
the wooden shaft is held in position.
The shaft is 6 1/2 inches at base

sum.
A. H.
27.1.58

... of the wooden shaft is 25 feet.

The work has already been in-
-spected under H.E. the Governor's
directions.

The flag staff with iron work
has been supplied from Madras
by C.A. at a cost of Rs 235.

The rate for cut stone is high,
viz. Rs 4.6. per cft against the
schedule rate of Rs 2.4. but it
is reported to be the actual cost,
as the stone was obtained from
Coimbatore.

The section of the wooden shaft
appears to be insufficient, as
any movement in the shaft is
likely to loosen the stone cut stone
stiffener.

The estimate has been counter-
-signed by the Military Secretary to
H.E. the Govt.

[Signature]
19-1-98.

The work had been done
in a great hurry there
was no time to consider
the question of rates

[Signature]
18/1/98
I don't understand
how the pricing can
here not to large
a sum, viz the
removal of the old
staff Rs 70. Can
you explain

[Signature]
26-1-98

One reason was that the work had been
done in a great hurry. H.E. asked
if it could not be finished in one day.
Another thing was the difficulty in getting up
the stone, which weighed about 1300 lbs, into the
hoist of the flagstaff pit. This stone
was hung up over the pulleys & temporary
supports had been provided.
There was a lot of trouble in getting down the
old flagstaff without breaking it. An army of
coolies were required to carry it. The new gaud
4.E.25-1-98 R 28-1-98.

Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 57

From the Mil. Secy to H.E.
The Governor

No. 391

Dated 3rd January 1898
Received }
Registered } 5.1.98
Enclosures 3 (1 plan)
Spare copies

SUBJECT.

New Flag Staff at Govt. House
Ordnance.
Forwarding as before. Only approved
for fixing a

[Signature]
an estimate

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

No. 391

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Madras
3 January 1898.

From Major F. W. Pomilly D.S.O.
MILITARY SECRETARY TO

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Chennai.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward
a plan and Estimate amounting to
Rs 635/- duly approved for fixing a
new flag staff at Government House
Ootacamund, and to request that
you will be so good as to obtain
the sanction of Government to the same.

This work has already been
executed under His Excellency the
Governor's directions.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

F. W. Pomilly Major,
Military Secretary.

Bombay

8.7.97

Dear Col Campbell

I wrote you yesterday
about the flagstaff.

I now send Harris & my design
Harris has scribbled a bit over
my design but I think you can

make it out.

I sent a detailed written description
to Harris but he has not returned it.

The flagstaff according to Harris'
design has been sent to the
factory

I can't say I like Harris' design as

Returned with No. 7880
to the Males

so not think it ^{is} ^{very} enough
on the action of the flagstaff
especially at the joint. sufficient
slight motion of the flagstaff may
gradually work the stone loose & I
think there will be some play in
the ^{union} between the bolts tho'
the wall about $\frac{1}{2}$ way up & the top
sockets

As the matter is urgent. I think it
advisable to write to you direct.
I am sorry I have incurred this
inconvenience & trouble but my
frankness was at the time

extremely busy over the same
which I had ordered to be attended to
just.

In my design I have not shown
the upper part of the flagstaff
which I intended to have a taper
from 9" as shown at base to
about 4" at top. I left this
point to Harris' discretion

Sincerely yours

Wm. A. B. M.

Please return the
plans