

Public Works (1893) Department.

G.O., No. 2524 W

DATED 1st Oct 98

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Use of Govt Buildings by Volunteers

[Despatch Abstract]

Letter from the Comr of Indes laying
down certain principles to govern the Grant
to Volunteers of the use of Govt Buildings, Commu-
nicated to Officers of the I. & C.

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Use of Government Buildings by Volunteers

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

READ—the following paper:—

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 3rd September 1898, No. 2442 B. (Volunteers).

With reference to the orders contained in Military Department letter, No. 556 M.W., dated the 20th February 1895, regarding the conditions on which Volunteers should be allowed the use of buildings the property of the State, I am directed to say that the Government of India consider it desirable to lay down the following principles to be observed in future in dealing with questions of this nature:—

- (1) If buildings are likely to be required again by the State, they should be retained in Military Works or Provincial Public Works charge, and be repaired at the cost of Government, the Volunteers being charged rent for the accommodation. Any alterations or additions required by the Volunteers should be carried out at the expense of the State, and considered in fixing the rent.
- (2) When the buildings are no longer required by the Government of India or the Local Government, and when there is no probability of letting them to advantage, they may, with the approval of the Government of India or Local Government concerned, be handed over altogether to the Volunteers free of charge. The Volunteers should then keep them in repair, and may alter or adapt them as they think fit, the cost being met from their own funds. The site would remain the property of the State and a small ground rent may be charged.
- (3) If the buildings should under any circumstances be resumed, Government would compensate the Volunteers for any expenditure they might have incurred in altering or adding to the buildings, but not for outlay on repairs.
- (4) In the case of a Volunteer Corps ceasing to exist, buildings handed over to them free of charge would revert to Government.
- (5) Except in regard to buildings under Imperial control, the sanction of the Government of India is not required for action taken by Local Governments under the above rules.

2. I am to add that existing arrangements, made with the concurrence of the Government of India, under which Volunteers have been allowed to occupy buildings on condition of keeping them in repair, or to make additions and alterations to buildings on which Government retain a lien, need not be disturbed.

ORDER—No. 2524 W., dated 1st October 1898.

Communicated to officers of the Public Works Department in supersession of paragraph 1 of G.O., No. 2502 W., dated 10th October 1895.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. B. DEWINTON,
Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.

„ the Consulting Architect to Government.

„ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

„ the Public Department,

„ the Revenue Department,

with copy of G.O., No. 2502 W. of 1895.

Copy to the Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command,

for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant-General
Commanding the Forces.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

P.W. (1898) Department.

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to officers of the P.W. Dept
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SUBJECT.

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Gen. Moore
Public Dept. with 10/10/98
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Copy to the D. of P. use by volunteers.
Staying down certain principles
to be observed in future in
dealing with questions affecting
public buildings allowed for

Gen. Moore's comment
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It is requested that the above heading, with number and date of this communication, may be quoted in any subsequent correspondence on this subject.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
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Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Secretary to the Government of India.

Copy forwarded to—

The Finance Department.

The Public Works Department.

The Resident in Mysore and Chief Commissioner of Coorg.

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Bengal.

The Director-General of Military Works in India.

The Quartermaster-General in India.

The Accountant-General, Public Works Department.