
*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
6th February 1866.*

No. 17. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 29th January 1866, No. 331.

Sanctioning an Estimate of Rupees 5800 } (Vide Proceedings, Public Works De-
for constructing a Civil Dispensary in } partment, dated 29th January 1866,
the Malabar District. } Nos. 695—697.)

No. 18. ORDER THEREON, 6th February 1866, No. 132.

Communicated to the Collector of Malabar, and also to the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Malabar.

„ Principal Inspector General, Medical Department.

Exd. J. Tulloch:

Read the following papers:—

No. 695. From the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Camp, Luckady, 11th November 1865, No. 177.

1. I have the honor to submit for approval and sanction of the necessary funds, a plan and estimate* of Rs. 5,800 for a Dispensary at Goodaloor prepared by Mr. O'Shaughnessy with reference to G. O. No. 283 of 31st January 1865, on which I have to make the following remarks.

* No. 54 of 1865-66.

- 1 Plan.
- 1 Estimate.
- 1 Abstract do.
- 1 Specification.

2. The plan is neat and appropriate for the purpose, but I cannot agree with the first paragraph of the specification, which states its capability of accommodating twenty-four to thirty patients. No medical man would like to see more than sixteen patients in the three wards, allowing fifty-four square feet per man. But two more patients might be accommodated in the large ward, by omitting one of the bath-rooms, and I would propose to roof in the platform on both sides of the cook-room to form open sheds in which eight more mild or convalescent cases might be treated. To effect which the necessary saving could easily be made by dispensing with the seven batten doors allowed for the yard and out-offices, and which in practice will never be used. A ward room and a bath-room door, two bath-room windows, and the walls of a bath-room will also be saved; and a glass window at the back of the large ward might re-place the glazed door in front, where there are glazed windows. A saving of Rupees 185 would thus be made in doors and windows alone, which is the equivalent of more than 600 square feet of roofing, at the estimate rate of Rupees 30; and the item of sundries may be indented on to make up any deficit.

3. In G. O. No. 962, of 8th April 1865, a special contribution of Rupees 500 in aid of this work to provide a Police ward was sanctioned. Mr. O'Shaughnessy recommends that a similar special contribution of Rupees 500 be made on account of the Public Works Department, whose coolies form a considerable proportion of the patients treated. If this reasonable proposition be agreed to, Rupees 4,800 will be the estimated proportion of the whole cost to be debited against the Civil Dispensary proper; one-half to be subscribed by the inhabitants of Goodaloor and its neighbourhood, the other half by Government. Rupees 1,450 have been already subscribed, and I recommend that the work be sanctioned at once, and commenced as soon as the other subscriptions are forthcoming. The Rupees 500 on Public Works Account are available from the Malabar allotment for Minor New Works, under the head of "Communications," which, with the Police allotment and subscriptions, will leave Rupees 2,400 to be paid up in May 1866.

1. Referred to the Public Department, with reference to the Orders in that Department No. 93, dated 24th January 1865.

2. It has been ruled in Public Proceedings No. 451, dated 1st May 1865, that charges for the repair, &c., of Dispensaries should be met from Dispensary funds.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
16th November 1865.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

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Referred to the Collector of Malabar for report as to the amount of subscription raised or likely to be raised at Goodaloor for the erection of a permanent Dispensary.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
29th November 1865.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

In returning these papers the undersigned has the honor to enclose a list showing that the Rupees 2,400 required to be raised by the residents for the Goodaloor Dispensary is subscribed or forthcoming.

CALICUT,
29th December 1865.

(Signed) G. A. BALLARD,
Collector.

No. 696. Memorandum from the Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department:—

(Here enter 12th January 1866, No. 12.)

No. 697. ORDER THEREON, 29th January 1866, No. 331.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 108.

1. The Governor in Council approves of the plan, and estimate amounting to Rupees 5,800, which are submitted by the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division, for the construction of a Civil Dispensary at Goodaloor in the Malabar District, subject to the modifications proposed in paragraph 2 of the foregoing letter.

2. The Government observe that the aggregate of the contributions which are promised by the residents of Goodaloor and its immediate neighbourhood towards the erection of the proposed building is Rupees 2,400, and as a large proportion of the patients who will be treated there will be coolies employed on Public Works, His Excellency in Council will be prepared, on the Superintending Engineer's application, to place the difference (Rupees 3,400) between that amount and the estimated cost at his disposal after the 1st May next, unless Colonel Walker can before that date provide the funds from any of the "Reserve" sanctions in his Division, in which case he will submit his proposals for the sanction of Government.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, with detailed Estimate and Specification.
" Controllor of Public Works Accounts.
" Accountant General.
" Public Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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