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<i>Public</i> DEPARTMENT.
G.O., DATED <i>13. 5. 91</i>
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[Despatch Abstract.]

*Re bulidings of
historical & archi-
tectural interest*

No. 788C

Mardi 13th February

Memorandum.

Office note from the Engineer's
Accounts No. 833 dated 9th February
1891.

According to his return
sanctioned estimates for September 18,
the Superintendent Engineer ^{Para 28} has sanctioned an estimate for
£72 on account of "Watchman for
temple in the Velour Fort" for 12
months, and the sanction is
apparently given under Code para
977 which lays down that all
buildings and monuments of historical
or architectural interest should be
looked after by the P. W. D. but there
is nothing in the code to show
definite  the authority to
decide  building is or is
not of  or architectural

... 282 ...
... to which Executive Engineers
... required to report on, and
... suggest measures for the protection
... such buildings or monuments,
... seems to suggest that Govern-
... ment is the authority to decide
... in such cases.

I therefore solicit orders
of ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~Government~~ ^{as to} whether the
temple referred to in para 1 is to
be considered a building of
historical or architectural interest,
and at the same time to suggest
that a ruling be now laid down
for future guidance in dealing
with similar cases.

Copy forwarded to
the Public Department with reference
to G.O. dated 9th January 1891,
No. 17 Public, for orders whether,

pending the issue of the revised
standard list of ancient
monuments, the P.W. Department
is relieved, of the actual custody
of such buildings in addition to
the duty of inspecting and reporting.

James G.
Col. P.W.

Secretary & Secy. P.W.D.

To

The Public Department.

C. W. 470.

Reference of 11 March 1891

With reference to No 7880.

dated the 13th ultimo, the Secy. to Govt. P.W.D. is requested to state the authority under which an establishment is entertained by the Supdy. Engineer V. Circle for the conservation of the Temple in the Vellore Fort. Paras 282 & 977 of the P.W.D. Code, quoted by the Examiner's Note No 833 of 9th Febry, do not supply the information.

(From orders).

To P.W.D. Dept.

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W.W.

For Orders.

Reference is elicited to para 11 of the G.O. Resolution in G.O. 395 of 2.6.90 to paras 33 and 34 of the "Note for Orders" in G.O. No 17 of 9.1.91, and to para 14 of the last named G.O. itself. From these it appears evident that the intention was to relieve the Public Works Dept. merely of the duties of inspection & reporting (pending the issue of the revised standard list) and rest of the actual custody of the buildings.

C.S.
21.1.91

It is stated in a marginal note that this building is one of those to be conserved under recent orders. Is this not an authority?

Assuming that it is, what power has the Secy. to determine what is to be conserved? The Code seems to require some fine it. Ark Revd.

Ref 27-2
Ref 2-3

W.W.
28 Feb

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R.27/2

For Orders

From

The P.W. Dept.

No 7880

D/13-2-91

D/16-2-91

Enquiring whether

the P.W. Dept is relieved of the actual custody of all ancient buildings & monuments.

No. 1997C

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

MEMORANDUM.

Dated Madras, 9th April 1891.

With reference to memo: from the Public Dept dated 11th March 1891 (Reference on No 470 of 1891) the undersigned has the honor to forward copies of the ~~undesignated papers~~ showing the authority under which an establishment is entertained by the Supdy. Engineer & circle for the conservation of the temple in the Vellore Fort.

G.O. No 2002 W of 15-8-81
" 2909 W - 21-11-81
" 3021 W - 5-12-81

R. S. S. S.
Major R. S.
Under Secy to Govt P.W.D.

To the Public Dept
with copies of papers.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

15th August 1881, No. 2,002 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following papers:—

No. 56. Endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department, dated Ootacamund, 10th August 1881, No. 1,360.

From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Ootacamund, 4th July 1881, No. 823-4,471—Through Controller of Military Accounts.

I HAVE the honor, by order, to request the sanction of Government, for the employment of two watchmen, at Rs. 6 per mensem each, to look after the Pagoda in the Fort of Vellore, which has recently been restored by the Public Works Department under O.G., Public Works Department, 17th May 1880, No. 1,160 W., Military Department No. 3,378, dated 28th May 1880. The work being completed the Public Works Department wish to hand over charge of the building to the Military.

2. The Executive Engineer reports that some arrangement will be necessary to prevent people coming in at all times of the day and night and painting, chipping, or otherwise damaging the carvings, while provision should be made for respectable people who wish to see the temple. So long as the restorations were going on a watchman was employed by the Public Works Department and charged to the estimate, but this arrangement must cease when the building is handed over to the Military.

3. There is a well in the precincts which it is reported is much used by residents in the Fort, so that the gateway of the Pagoda has to be kept open, requiring constant watch over the restored building if it is to be preserved from injury; and for this purpose two watchmen are reported to be necessary.

4. The duty is not one suitable for a Military guard.

No. 56-A. From Lieutenant-Colonel M. C. PERREAU, Officiating Controller of Military Accounts, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 15th July 1881, B.

In forwarding the marginal application, I have the honor to state that no similar charge is at present incurred in the Military Department; and, as the watchmen are apparently sought as a permanent arrangement, the sanction of the Government of India would be required thereto.

2. I would respectfully submit that the charge is scarcely one for adjustment in the Military Department.

No. 3,926.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Department, with an intimation that no funds are available in the Military Department to meet the proposed charge.

21st July 1881. (Signed) E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for disposal, with reference to the Honorable the Governor's note and to Sections 312, 313, and 1,397 of the Public Works Code.

(Signed) R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 57. ORDER THEREON, 15th August 1881, No. 2,002 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineer, Second Circle, who will arrange for the protection of the building under paragraph 1,397 of the Public Works Code.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Second Circle.
„ Military Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1881) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
SECOND CIRCLE,
Cc. Cc. Cc.

Dated August, 15th.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 15th August 1881, No. 2,002 W.

AUGUST.
Nos. 56-57.

Pagoda in the Vellore Fort.—The Superintending Engineer, Second Circle, to arrange for the protection of the — under paragraph 1,397 of the Public Works Code.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

Letter from the Supdy. Engineer IV Circle
No. 386 dated 15th Sept 1881

Letter from the Supdy. Engineer IV Circle
No. 497 dated 15th Nov 1881

With reference to your memo:
No. 2184 of 23rd Sept 1881 I have the
honour to submit for sanction a
revised Estimate amounting to Rs 24
for employing two watchmen to look
after the Pagoda in the Fort of Vellore
from 1st November 1881 to the end
of February 1882, and to report
that the pay of the watchmen
has been reduced from Rs 6 to 3 to
each man and it is proposed to
employ old peons or pensioners
as suggested by you.

The employment of two watchmen
is absolutely necessary as the Temple
building in the Fort requires
constant

attention.

Order thereon No. 2909 W of 21st Nov. 1881

The employment from the 1st November of two watchmen at Rs 3 (three) each per mensem for the protection of the Pagoda in the Vellore Fort is sanctioned and the cost for the current year, Rs 24 is appropriated from the Budget grant for temporary establishment.

2. The charge will be provided for in the Provincial budgets of future years.

3. This sanction has been entered as Provincial No 42 W of 1881-82 in the register of this office, & classified as establishment.

(True Extract)

(Sd) R. H. Sankey Col. R.E.

Secy. to Govt P.W.D.

To.
The S.E. IV circle
with 1 enclosure
Ex. 2 W. Accts.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

Office Note from the Examiner P.W. Accts No. 886 dated 1st December 1881

Under para 1073 of the P.W. Code the pay of the watchmen referred to in S.O. No 2909 W dated 21st November 1881 appears chargeable to Repairs Civil Buildings.

Order thereon No. 3021 W of 5th Dec. 1881

Communicated to the Suply. Engineer IV circle who will debit the charge in question for the current official year to the allotment of the North Arcot Division for repairs under Civil Buildings & make due provision for it for future years under the same head.

2. The allotment of Rupees 24 made in S.O. No 2909 W dated 21st Nov. 1881 with

will be credited to the grant
for Temporary Establishment.

(True Enboard)

Ross - Thompson Lt. Col. R.L.

under Secy to Govt P.W.D.

To.

The S. E. Ivcele

- Mr P. W. Hicks.

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READ AGAIN ORDER OF GOVERNMENT, DATED
18, No. , MINORILLANESJUS.

ENCLOSURES.

CURRENT No.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

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IN ORIGINAL (NOT PAGED).

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A A

From *J. W. Deptt*

Submitted with reference to
the remarks of the Honorable
Mr. Stokes on C. No. 470.

The orders on Mr. Reas
revised standard list of monuments
selected for conservation will soon
be issued. In that list the
+ the temple
Vellor Fort have been included and it
has been entered as "in charge of the
Military Dept". The arrangement
under which the watchman for
the temple is provided by the Public
Works Dept is explained in the 800
copies of which have been now
submitted.

It is submitted that under
the circumstances these papers
may be Recorded with reference
to the R.O. on Mr. Reas revised
list.

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Order 13th May 91 No. 379
Received with reference
to G.O. No. 378 of 13th May 1891.

DESPATCHED

12 May

IN M.S.

For Orders

No. 1997C

Dated *9th*
Received *11th* } *April 1891*
Enclosures *3*

SUBJECT:

Forwarding copies of certain
G.Os showing the authority under
which an establishment is maintained
by the Dep. Secy. to the Govt.

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