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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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24th June 1862.*

No. 346. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel S. O. E. LUDLOW, Deputy Chief Engineer in charge of Southern Circle, to Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 10th June 1862, No. 7:—

SIR,

- 6 Letters from the District Engineer of Salem, Nos. 13 146, 170, 188, 252 and 279, dated 13th May, 18th October, 14th November and 23rd December 1861, and 8th March and 3rd May 1862.
1 Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 3,970, 25th July 1861.
4 Letters from Collector, Nos. 63, 110, 39 and 46, dated 10th September and 6th December 1861, and 15th and 26th March 1862.
1 Plan.
1 Memorandum of expenditure.
1 Report.
1 Abstract estimate.

1. I have the honor to forward, for submission to Government, a revised plan, specification and estimate, amounting to Rupees 6,940, for rebuilding the Táluq Kacheri at Oosoor, in the District of Salem.

2. In their Proceedings No. 2,160, dated 9th September 1859, Government sanctioned for immediate execution, an estimate of Rupees 3,510 for repairing and improving the above building, agreeably to a plan prepared in accordance with the Collector's directions; and work was commenced on 18th November 1859, and made some progress, when the re-arrangement* of the Táluqs in Salem took place; and consequent upon the amalgamation of the Oosoor and Denkincotta Táluqs, it became absolutely necessary to provide additional accommodation for the Revenue servants and Records from Denkincotta.

3. As the Kacheri is situated in the main street of Oosoor, with houses near it on three sides, and the Trunk Road between Bangalore and Madras in front, the required accommodation could only be provided by the addition of an upper story to the front portion of the building.

4. The District Engineer reports† that the rates of the sanctioned estimate are insufficient at the present time; and that more work was done in laying the foundation than was originally contemplated. It was first intended partially to make use of the old Kacheri foundations, but on examination after the removal of the superstructure, they were found to be badly constructed, and insecure, therefore new foundations had to be laid throughout, which necessarily caused an excess in quantity.

5. On the 29th May 1861, the District Engineer was directed by this Office to stop all further work to the Kacheri on the altered plan, as it involved an expenditure of Rupees 3,430 above the sanctioned amount (Rupees 3,510) until the sanction of Government had been obtained.

† No. 130, dated 16th July 1861.

§ No. 3,970, dated 25th July 1861.

6. For the reasons‡ urged by the Collector, the Board of Revenue are of opinion§ that the increased accommodation is necessary; but they remark with reference to the plan that space is thrown away on the ground floor. But this cannot now be remedied as work has been commenced and carried on to some extent. Vide Plan and Memorandum of expenditure dated 18th October 1861.

Amount of estimate	rs. 6,940
Deduct amount already sanctioned	3,510
Amount requiring sanction	3,430

7. The sum already sanctioned has been deducted in the present estimate, which has been examined and corrected in this Office. The rates given in it are those now prevailing in the Salem District, and are moderate but sufficient to carry out the proposed work, which the Collector strongly urges being proceeded with at once, as serious inconvenience is felt for the want of a proper place for the Táluq Treasury, wherein large sums of money have to be deposited at times. I therefore solicit that early sanction may be accorded to the accompanying revised Estimate, the additional amount, viz.,

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Ruppes 3,13, now required to be defrayed from the General Funds placed at the disposal of the
District Engineer for expenditure during the current official year.

Referred to the Revenue Department for consideration.

Sd/- W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut-Col & L.
Secretary to Government P. W. D.

Chepauk,
12th June 1862.

No. 317.

ORDER THEREON, 24th June 1862, No. 1,351.

1. The Government consider that sufficient accommodation might, by a better arrangement of the ground floor, have been provided without building an upper story, and that the present position of the Treasury room is not good. The P. O. room appears rather larger than is necessary, and if a portion of it can be converted into a separate lock-up for female prisoners, this should be done, it being certainly desirable that there should be a separate place for that purpose.

2. As the building has advanced so far, the estimate must necessarily be sanctioned.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

inconvenience is felt for the want of a proper place for the Saving Treasury, wherein large sums of money have to be deposited at times. I therefore solicit that early sanction may be accorded to the accompanying revised Estimate, the additional amount, vizt Ruppes 3,430, now required to be defrayed from the General Funds placed at the disposal of the District Engineer for expenditure during the current official year.

By Order of the District Engineer
Chepauk 10 June 1862

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedt Servt

J. D. SIM, Lieut-Colonel

Deputy Chief Engineer in charge of S.C.

Lieutenant Colonel W. H. Horsley
Secretary to Govt P. W. D.

