

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1857	Press ~~Ms.~~
368-69 Dated	24-11-1870	

Not to be folded or roughly handled

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
24th November 1870.*

No. 368. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 31st August 1870, No. 5,525 :—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Chingleput, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 27th July 1870, No. 300.

I HAVE the honour to forward an estimate of the total cost of repairing Venkatarunga Pillay's Chuttrum, as required by the Board in their Proceedings of the 26th August 1869, No. 6,439.

2. I also enclose a copy of Mr. Ottmann's letter to the Superintending Engineer in explanation of the great cost of the repairs now estimated for.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From S. OTTMANN, Esq., Sub-Engineer, Department Public Works, No. 3 Range, Chingleput District, to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, No. 157.

As instructed* I have the honour to forward herewith an estimate, amounting to Rupees 6,000, for thoroughly repairing Venkatarunga Pillay's Chuttrum. You will be aware what an extensive

* Your No. 781, 21st May 1870.

building it is, and the large area it occupies will be seen from the accompanying plan. The building has been quite overrun by white-ants, and the wood-work of roofing, from the above and other causes, has been thoroughly destroyed. It is necessary, therefore, to roof afresh the whole building; and to prevent white-ants attacking the roof again, the estimate provides for building the tops of walls one foot depth with brick-in-chunam. It is intended to utilize as much as possible the old material, and thus the amount of estimate has been kept down somewhat.

2. The specification accompanying the estimate will show exactly the work proposed to be done, and if the repairs are done departmentally under close supervision without contracting for it, some saving may be effected; for in old buildings it is impossible to calculate exactly what the cost of repair will be, and it is just possible some of the work contemplated may be obviated. The estimate as provided will thoroughly restore the building to its original condition in every wise.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Plan.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Estimate.

SUBMITTED to Government, with reference to Government Order, dated 23rd August 1869, No. 2,397.

No. 369. ORDER THEREON, 24th November 1870, No. 1,857.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government resolve to postpone consideration of the question of repairing Venkatarunga Pillay's Chuttrum until resources can be provided by local taxation.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Memo. for order on No. 2740

With their Proceedings
of the 23rd July 1869. No. 5325.
(recorded in G. O. 23rd August
1869, No. 2399.) the Board of
Revenue submitted a letter

As known mufles
in many places
the resources are
available

to a large & bulky from the Collector of the Shingle-
District, requesting the
sanction of Govt. for the repair

of Venkata Runga Pillai's
Chuttrum at Steepermadur.
2. This building was
erected by Venkata Runga
Pillai, Zamindar of Stee-
permadur, in 1835, and
having

yes. It is a fine chuttrum
should not be allowed
to go to decay.

Govt. of 1870
REVENUE.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated November, 21st.
Recd.
G. O. 21st November 1870, No. 1557.

NOVEMBER.
Nos. 333-337.

Teakalavanga Pinnal's Chattram in
Chingleput District. - Question of repairing it
postponed until resources can be provided by local
taxation.

having been devoted by him to public purposes, was taken charge of by Govt. under the Charitable Endowments Regulation VIII of 1817 in 1836. In 1859 it was described by the then Collr of the District as "a Native Choultry of magnificent dimensions, built for all classes of the community."

3. In submitting the Collector's letter the Board remarked that they "would ^{not} trouble Govt. with this application if it were possible to provide the necessary

necessary sum from local funds; but the estimated balance of the Endowment Fund for the year is only Rs. 290, and there is no other source from which the expenditure can be met."

4. The application not having been accompanied by an estimate of the total cost of repairing the Chattram, the Collector was called upon to forward one through the Board; and with their Proceedings of the

the 31st August, No 5525 the Board
now submit the Estimate
amounting to Rs. 6,000, together
with copy of a letter from
the local Range officer
to the Supy. Engineer of the
Division, explanatory of the
great cost of the repairs
now estimated for.

5. It is stated that
since the Chuttrum came
under Govt. management,
it was repaired only
twice - once in 1834 when
the cost was ^{Rs.}2040, and
once in 1859 when the

Cost was Rs. 1,370; and
in para 4 of their Pro.
of 23rd July 1869 the
Board remark that "it
is clear from the letter
of the Chief Secretary to the
Board of Revenue, dated 24th
June 1817, and from Extracts
Minutes of Consultation, 30th May
1834, No 423, that Govt. have
assumed the care of the building
& the responsibility of keeping it
in repair, & it will be a dis-
credit to Govt., & a hardship to
their subjects, if the Chuttrum
is now allowed to go to ruin."

[Signature]

Revenue Department

1857.

Proceedings of the Madras Government.
Under date the 24th Nov. 1870.

Read the following
Proceedings of the Board
of Revenue. -

Submitting estimate
amounting to Rs. 10,000 for putting in
thorough repair Venkataranga
Pillay's Chuttrum at Streepuram
in Chingleput Dist^o. -

(H. E. 31st Aug^r 1870 N^o 5525)

The Govt^y resolve
to postpone consideration
of the question of repairing
Venkata Runga Pillay's
Chuttrum until resources
can be provided by local
taxation. -

W. H.

14 Folic Refuse with 2 Encls Despt 25

11/12
Estimate for work
on road on New York
Road - Albany - One
day - 1000 ft. - 1000
ft. - 1000 ft. - 1000 ft.

2

Ad