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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
3rd August 1874.

No. 24. Read the following Endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, 16th July 1874:—

Read the following Memorandum by Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, 15th July 1874.

In the letter of the Inspector of Forests to the Presidency District Engineer, copy of which has been communicated to the Chief Engineer, it is proposed to fix the price of Annamallay Teak, delivered to the Public Works Department at Pothanoor Railway Station, at Rs. 2 a cubic foot, or Rs. 100 a ton, for unsquared timber.

2. It appears also from the Consulting Architect's letter, recorded with G. O., No. 1,148, of 1st May, that any quantity of unsquared Teak timber is obtainable by the Public Works Department from middlemen at Madras at Rs. 82 a ton. Here then is a higher rate of at least Rs. 25 a ton (allowing only Rs. 7 for railway carriage and carriage to depôt at Madras), which at once precludes the Public Works Department from dealing with the Local Forest Department.

3. But in the papers recorded with Revenue Department Order, No. 199, of 13th February, it is stated that Annamallay Teak in large quantities can be delivered on the West Coast for Rs. 1-6-6 a cubic foot; and it is deduced from the details given that the cost of delivery at Pothanoor Railway Station would not exceed Rs. $1\frac{1}{4}$ per cubic foot, or Rs. $62\frac{1}{2}$ per ton. Hence, it appears that the Forest Department desire to make a profit of 12 Annas a cubic foot in dealing with the Public Works Department. It is this high margin of profit, arbitrarily fixed, that has always prevented [illegible] Nilgiris where the Public Works Department have no option (see G. O., No. 352, of 4th February 1871).

4. It rests with Government to fix such a rate of profit for the Forest Department as shall not prohibit the Public Works Department from dealing with them. That rate apparently will be Rs. 10 a ton; which added to Rs. $62\frac{1}{2}$ cost of delivery at Pothanoor, Rs. $7\frac{1}{2}$ railway charges at the lowest rate of 5 Pies per ton mile, and Rs. 2 loading, unloading, and carriage to depôt, makes Rs. 82, the price at Madras.

5. On these terms the Public Works Department can afford to give an immediate order for 30,000 cubic feet or 600 tons of Teak, to be delivered at Pothanoor within the current official year on which the profit to the Forest Department will be Rs. 6,000.

Referred to the Revenue Department for disposal, with reference to Official Memorandum from the Secretary to Government in that department, No. 72, of 12th May.

Together with joint letter from the Presidency District Engineer and Consulting Architect, No. 119, of 30th June, and copy of letter from the Inspector of Forests to the Presidency District Engineer, No. 102, of 6th July.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

Enclosure No. 1.

Official Memorandum from C. G. MASTER, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, 12th May 1874, No. 72.

The undersigned is directed, with reference to G. O., 1st May 1874, No. 1,143, Public Works Department, to inquire whether the wants of the Consulting Architect and of other

branches of the department cannot be supplied from the resources of the forests under the Madras Government, and to suggest that the Inspector of Forests be furnished with a memorandum showing the kind of timber required and the prices heretofore paid, in order that he may advise on the possibility of Mr. Chisholm's requirements being met from Government depôts at a reasonable rate.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 352.

COMMUNICATED to the Presidency District Engineer and Consulting Architect for joint report on the subject.

OOTACAMUND,
18th May 1874.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From Lieutenant-Colonel J. GODDARD, R.E., District Engineer, Presidency, and R. CHISHOLM, Esq., F.R.S.B.A., Consulting Architect to Government, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Royapettah, 30th June 1874, No. 119.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum, No. 352, dated the 18th May 1874, giving cover to correspondence on the subject of a supply of sawn timber from Burmah.

Enclosures 2.

2. We agree in thinking that if a system could be introduced with the view of supplying [illegible] system of depending on the local market and purchasing timber in the log.

3. The Madras Timber Depôt is at Cassimode. The timber is purchased by measurement either by the square of the mean quarter girth or what is termed "square measurement"; after being purchased, it is conveyed to the buildings in course of construction, and worked up at once. However quickly this may be done, the timber becomes "stock" and passes through all those processes of depreciation which are so liable to cause heavy losses to the Government.

4. In the system proposed by Mr. Chisholm, it is not contemplated to form a Timber Yard, but to obtain timber from Burmah frequently on indent. When an estimate is sanctioned, the Range Officer will at once forward to Burmah a list of scantlings required for the whole building, allowing about 10 per cent. over the actual quantity for loss in framing. This timber would arrive before the masonry part of the structure was ready to receive it, and from the fact of its being cut before shipment it would arrive in most cases seasoned to a considerable extent.

5. We append a list of the kind of scantlings required which is merely copied from an estimate.

6. We also append a list of the scantlings actually obtained through Messrs. Gordon Woodroffe. These scantlings came by steamer, and were landed exactly at the spot appointed without a single error or false quantity.

7. The price we could afford to pay is Rs. 180 a ton.

P.S.—The above letter was written before the grant of Rs. 46,000 was made for a Timber Depôt. We both consider the establishment of a depôt the best scheme for meeting the timber difficulty.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

From Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Chief Engineer, Department of Public Works, to the Inspector of Forests, Ootacamund, dated Ootacamund, 22nd June 1874, No. 454.

In forwarding the accompanying copy of orders in the Public Works Department, No. 1,490, dated 6th June 1874, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to inform the

District Engineer, Presidency, at what cost you can supply Annamallay Teak at the Royapuram Railway Station.

No. 455.

COPY of the above forwarded to the District Engineer, Presidency.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer, P. W. D.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

From Captain CAMPBELL WALKER, Officiating Inspector of Forests, to the District Engineer, Presidency, dated Oodoomalapettah, 6th July 1874, No. 192.

IN accordance with Colonel Walker's request contained in his letter, No. 454, dated 22nd June 1874, a copy of which is enclosed, I have the honor to inform you that this department is prepared to supply seasoned Teak from the Annamallay Forests delivered at Pothanoor Railway Station at Rs. 2 per cubic foot.

2. I am not in a position to state what the cost of carriage thence to Royapuram may be, as the Gun Carriage and other Government departments, who receive their supplies from the Annamallays, invariably take them over at Pothanoor.

No. 194.

FORWARDED to Colonel Walker, R.E., Chief Engineer, Department of Public Works, with reference to his letter, No. 454, dated 22nd June 1874.

(Signed) CAMPBELL WALKER, Captain,
Officiating Inspector of Forests.

No. 25. ORDER THEREON, 3rd August 1874, No. 972.

Forests, No. 4.

THE Government resolve to lay down the following general rules for the regulation of transactions in timber between the Forest and Public Works Departments:—

(1.) The Forest Department shall sell its timber to the Public Works Department for a price, as nearly as can be ascertained, the same as the market price.

(2.) The Public Works Department shall obtain the timber required by it not from private traders but from the Forest Department.

2. The Chief Engineer's memorandum and accompanying papers will be communicated to the Board of Revenue, who will ascertain from the Collector of Coimbatore at an early date whether the requirements of the Public Works Department as therein stated can be met, and whether, under the rules above recorded, the price at Pothanoor will exceed or fall short of that which the Chief Engineer intimates his department can afford to pay.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Officiating Inspector of Forests.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

No. 119

ARCHITECT'S OFFICE,
Royapettah, 30th June 1874.

From The District Engineer Presidency &
THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT TO GOVERNMENT,

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

SIR,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Memo No. 352 dated the 18th May 1874 giving Cover to Correspondence on the Subject of a Supply of Sawn Timber from Burmah.

Enc 2.

2 We agree in thinking that if a System Could be introduced with the view of Supplying Timber Cut to Scantling direct from Burmah, it would possess many advantages over the present System of depending on the local Market and purchasing Timber in the log.

3 The Madras Timber Depôt is at Carsimode. The timber is purchased by measurement either by the Square of the mean quarter girth "or what is termed" Square measurement

after being purchased it is conveyed to the buildings in course of construction and worked up at once. However quickly this may be done, the Timber becomes "Stock" and passes through all those processes of depreciation which are so liable to cause heavy losses to the Government.

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5 We append a list of the kind of scantlings required which is merely copied from an Estimate.

6 We also append a list of the scantlings actually obtained through Messrs. Gordon Woodroffe. These scantlings came by steamer and were landed exactly at the spot appointed without a single error or false quantity.

7 The price we could afford to pay is Rupees 130.0.0 a Ton.

We have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servants.

Jno Gordon Lt. Col. R.E.
Dist. Engineer Pressing

By Chisholm. f. P.A.B.A.

P.S. The above letter was written before the grant of 46000/- was made for a Timber Depôt. We both consider the Establishment of a depôt the best scheme for

for meeting the timber difficulty.

Jno. G

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for meeting the timber difficulty.

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From No. 4075.

The Dist Engineer

Presidency

& the Consulting Architect

W. Govt.

To the Chief Engineer

Enc 2. D.P.W.

Dated 30th June

Recd 4 July 1874

Disp. 3.

No. 119.

[illegible] 3 August 74 No. 972

[illegible]

Reporting upon the requirements of timber for the use of works & the manner in which it may be supplied, also on the scheme of Establishing a Timber Depot.

Dept. to Cty 4 July 74.

Teakwood in Beams & Joists. Lower Floor.

Submitted as a Specimen list of Scantlings.

No.	L.	B.	Depth.
2.	17'.0"	0.11"	0.9"
	21.0	1.3	0.10
6	27.0	1.6	1.0
	33.0	1.0	0.9
6	27.0	1.6	1.0
2	19.0	1.3	1.0
	21.0	1.6	1.0
3	22.0	1.6	1.3"
2	24.0	1.6	1.3"
34	10.0	0.5	0.4"
19	22.0	0.6	0.4"
49	10.0	0.5"	0.4"
15	24.0	0.5"	0.3"
18	22.0	0.6"	0.4"
37	10.0	0.5"	0.4"
15	77.6	0.6"	0.4"
31.	10.0	0.5"	0.4"
15	77'.6"	0.6"	0.4"
49	10'.0"	0.5"	0.4"
25	18'.0	0.6"	0.5"
13	24'.0	0.6"	0.5"
25	10.0	0.5"	0.4"

15	10'-0"	0-5"	0-4"

Teakwood in Second floor.

2	17'-0"	0'-11"	0'-9"
	21-0	1-3"	0-10"
6	27'-0	1-6"	1'-0"
	33'-0	1-0"	0'-9"
6	27'-0	1-6"	1'-0"
2	19'-0	1-3"	1'-0"
	21'-0	1-6"	1'-0"
34	10'-0	0-5"	0'-4"
19	22'-0	0-6"	0'-4"
49	10'-0"	0-5"	0'-4"
18	22'-0"	0'-6"	0'-4"
37	10'-0	0-5"	0'-4"
15	77'-6"	0'-6"	0'-4"
31	10'-0"	0-5"	0'-4"
15	77'-6"	0'-6"	0'-4"
49	10'-0"	0-5"	0-4"
25	18'-0"	0'-6"	0'-5"
13	24'-0"	0'-6"	0'-5"
25	10'-0"	0'-5"	0'-4"
15	10'-0"	0'-5"	0-4"

Teakwood in roof.

2	17'-0"	0'-11"	0'-9"
	21-0	1-3"	0'-10"
6	27-0	1-6"	1'-0"
	33-0	1-0"	0'-9"
6	27'-0"	1'-6"	1'-0"
2	19'-0"	1'-3"	1'-0"
	21-0	1-6	1-0"
34	10-0	0-5	0-4"
19	22-0	0-6	0'-4"
49	10-0	0-5	0'-4"
18	22-0	0-6	0'-4"
37	10-0	0-5	0-4
15	77-6	0-6	0-4
31	10-0	0-5	0-4
15	77-6	0-6	0-4
49	10-0	0-5	0-4
25	18-0	0-6	0-5
13	24-0	0-6	0-5
25	10-0	0-5	0-4
15	10-0	0-5	0-4
2	27-0	1-6	1-0
19	26-0	0-5	0-4
15	17-0	0-5	0-4
18	10-0	0-5	0-4

Jno Graham Lt Col. Rt
Dist. Eng. Pass.

[illegible]

List of scantlings supplied by Messrs Gordon Woodroffe.

47	10'.0	0.4"	0.2"
20	15.0	0.4"	0.2"
15	10.0	0.4"	0.3"
13	16'.0	0.4"	0.3"
9	13.0	0.5	0.2½
1	11½.0	0.5	0.3
36	15.0	0.5	0.3
1	9.0	0.5	0.5
6	12.0	0.0	0.0.
89	9.0	0.6	0.3
77	14.0	0.0	0:0
5	15.0	0.0	0.0
1	20.0	0.6	0.4
2	26.0	0.0	0.0
20	12.0	0.6	0.6
8	18.0		
7	17.0	0.7	0.3.
56	19.0	0.8	0.3.
5	28.0		
1	13.0	0.9	0.3.
3	25.0	0.9	0.3
31	15.0	0.3	0.2.
2	9.0	0.5	0.5
3	15.0	0.6	0.3.
7	14.0		
3	20.0	0.4	0.4

2	13'-0"	0'-5"	0'-2½"
1	26-0	0-6	0-4
6	18-0	0-4	0-3
21	10-0	0-4	0-2
17	15-0	0-4	0-2
1	10-0	0-4	0-3
1	19-0	0-8	0-3
1	28-0	0-8	0-3
2	15-0	0-5	0-3
352	0-0	0-6	0 1½

38	15'-0"	0'-3"	0'-2"
28	27-0	0-5	0-2½
107	11-6	0-5	0-3
42	16-0	0-5	0-3
1	9-0	0-5	0-5
87	14-0	0-6	0-3
23	15-0	0-6	0-3
4	26-0	0-6	0-3
3	9-6	0-6	0-4
1	20-0	0-6	0-4
1	26-0	0-6	0-4
3	18-0	0-6	0-6
4	17-0	0-7	0-3
177	19-0	0-8	0-3
11	28-0	0-8	0-3
285	——	0-8	0-4
17	18-0	1'-0	1'-0
1	26-0	1-6	1-0

24	15'·0"	0'·3"	0'·2"
9	10·0	0·4	0·2.
5	15·0	0·4	0·2.
17	10·0	0·4	0·3.
11	16·0	0·4	0·3
5	20·0	0·4	0·4
9	13·0	0·5	0·2½
17	27·0	0·5	0·2½
252	11·6	0·5	0·3
81	15·0	0·5	0·3
16	9·0	0·5	0·5
64	14·0	0·6	0·3
5	15·0	0·6	0·3
17	9·6	0·6	0·4
14	17·0	0·7	0·3
112	19·0	0·8	0·3
7	28·0	0·8	0·3
1	23·0	0·9	0·3
1	25·0	0·9	0·3
412	——	0·6	0·1½
25	18	1·0	1·0

Jno Graham Lt Col Rt
Dist Engr Pres.

R Chisholm

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Revenue Department

No 72

Official Memorandum.

The undersigned is directed, with reference to G.O. 1st May 1874 No 1148 Public Works Department, to enquire whether the wants of the Consulting Architect and of other branches of the department cannot be supplied from the resources of the Forests under the Madras Government, and to suggest that the Inspector of Forests be furnished with a Memorandum shewing the kind of timber required and the prices heretofore paid, in order that he may advise on the possibility of Mr Chisholm's requirements being met from Government depôts at a reasonable rate.

Votacamund
12th May 1874

E Master
Ag. Secretary to Govt.

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

No. 352.

Communicated to the Presidency Dt. Engineer and Consulting Architect for joint report on the subject. [illegible]

To Dt. E. Presidency Cons. Architect. } With G O No. 1148 of 1st May/74 Disp'd 21 May 1874

Dated 18th May/74.

Pub: Works 1874 Dept.
No: 3038.
Memo: of the Rev: Dept
Dated 12th May 1874
Received 21 May 1874

No. 72.
Chief Engr's memo: No. 352 of 18 May/74

Regarding information on a view to stopping taken to supply hundred from the Government depot to the Consulting Architect and other Members of the Public Works Department.

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Chief Engineers

Memo No 352

D/ 18th May 1874

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Public Works Deptt

Coty 22d June 1874

No 454

From

Colonel G W Walker R.E.

Chief Engineer D.O.W.

To

The Inspector of Forests

Ootacamund

Sir

In forwarding the accompanying copy of orders in the P.W.D. No 1490 dated 6th June 1874, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to inform the District Engineer Presidency at what cost you can supply annamalay Teak at the Royapuram Railway Station.

I have &c

(Signed) G W Walker Col R.E.

Chief Engineer D.O.W.

No 455

Copy of the above forwarded to the Dt Engineer Presidency

(Signed) G W Walker Col R.E.

Chief Engineer

No 192

Office of the Inspector of Forests
Camp. Oodoomalapettah
6th July 1874

From

Captain Campbell Walker
Offg Inspector of Forests

To

The District Engineer
Presidency

Sir,

In accordance with Colonel Walker's request contained in his letter No 454 dated 22nd June 1874 a copy of which is enclosed, I have the honor to inform you that this Department is prepared to supply seasoned Teak from the Anamullay Forests delivered at Pothanur Railway Station at Rs 2 per Cubic foot.

2. I am not in a position to state what the cost of carriage thence to Royapuram may be, as the Gun Carriage and other Government Departments who receive their supplies from the Anamullays invariably take them over at Pothanur.

I have &c
Signed Campbell Walker
Offg Inspector of Forests

(True Copy)

No 194. Forwarded to Colonel Walker, R.E. Chief Engineer D.P.W., with reference to his letter No 454 dated 22nd June 1874

[illegible] Captain
Offg Inspector of Forests

No 3 Aug 6/74 No 972 [illegible]
[illegible] No 24-25

Memorandum by the Chief Engineer, Dept. Pub. Works —

In the letter of the Inspector of Forests to the Presidency District Engineer, copy of which has been communicated to the Chief Engineer, it is proposed to fix the price of Bungy-mulling Teak delivered to the Pub. Wks. Dept. at Pothanoor Railway Station at Rs 2 a Cubic Foot, or Rs 100 a Ton, for unsquared timber —

It appears also from the Consulting Architects' letter, recorded with G.O. No. 1148 of 1st May, that any quantity of unsquared Teak timber is obtainable by the P.W. Dept. from middlemen at Madras at Rs 82 a Ton — Here there is a higher rate of at least Rs 25 a ton (allowing only Rs 7 for Railway carriage & carriage to depot at Madras) which at once precludes the P.W. Dept. from dealing with the local Forest Dept.

But as the papers recorded with Revd. Dept. Order No. 197 of 13th February, the

stated that Anaymullay Teak in large quantities can be delivered on the West Coast for Rs 1-6-6 a Cubic foot; and it is deduced from the details given, that the cost of delivery at Pothanoor Railway Station would not exceed Rs 1¼ per Cubic foot, or Rs 62½ per Ton. Hence it appears that the Forest Dept. desire to make a profit of 12 annas a C.o F.t in dealing with the P.W. Dept. It is this high margin of profit, arbitrarily fixed, that has always prevented transactions between the two Departments on a large scale, except in places like the Neilgherries where the P.W. Dept. have no option. (See G.O. No. 352 of 4th Feby 1871.)

It rests with Govt. to fix such a rate of profit for the Forest Dept. as shall not prohibit the P.W. Dept. from dealing with them. That rate apparently will be Rs 10 a Ton; which add-

Rs 62½
ed to cost of delivery at Poothanoor, ~~makes Rs 72½ total cost at that Station~~ Rs 7½ Railway charges at the lowest rate of 5 pie per Ton Mile, and Rs 2 loading unloading and carriage to depot, makes Rs 82 the price at Madras.

On these terms the P.W. Dept. can afford to give an immediate order for Rs 30000 ~~Tons~~ C.o F.t or 600 Tons of Teak; to be delivered at Pothanoor within the Current Off.l Year on which the profit to the Forest Dept. will be Rs 6000.

G.W. Mulhead R.E.
Chief Eng. D.P.W.

Actuary ..... 16th July 1876

Mr. Curry on Col. Walker's Supply and order the supply. This will enable a practical judgment of how the Mrs can be worked. There should be no inter-departmental profit at all there. The profit [illegible]

Referred to the Revenue Dept. for disposal, with reference to Eff.l Memo. from the Secy to Govt. in that Dept. No. 72 of 12th May —

Together with Joint Letter from the Presidency District Engineer & Consg Architect, No. 119 of 30th June — and ~~letter~~ copy of letter from the Inspector of Forests to the Presidency District Engineer, No. 192 of 6th July —

Gunnalbert Col. R.E.
Secy to Govt. D.P.W.

Ootakamund
16th Aug 1874

I concur. but he must first consult the Inspector. If he can get 2 Rs from private parties, at all his work, it will be better to do so. the D.M.W. [illegible] from others at the lower rate. [illegible] the rate proposed by Col Walker is very fair. The Meet Dept must show the [illegible] [illegible] according to [illegible] [illegible]

On the execution work
But at all event
the thing should be tried
1717 [illegible]

I think that the following Rules may be laid down: —

1. That the Forest Department should sell its timber, whether to the public or to the P.W. Dept. for a price as nearly as can be ascertained the same as the market-price for the time being. If the price is higher than the market-price, the public will not buy; — if it is lower ~~[illegible]~~ the public will suffer unfairly from the competition of Govt.

2. That, price and quality

being equal, the P. W. Dept. should be bound (as a rule) to purchase not from private traders, but from the Forest Dept: for the simple reason that in the first case the profit realised by the vendor is realised at the expense of ~~the expense~~ of the Govt., — in the second, it is realised by one Department of Govt. at the expense of another, i.e. not at the expense of Govt. at all. In other words,

the Govt. in the ~~first~~ second case obtains its timber at cost price, — in the first, at cost price plus the profit of trade.

Colonel Walker's suggestion seems to be in accordance with these Rules, & may I think be acted upon —

In the sake of financial regularity, it is better that such transactions should be accounted for by each Dept. in the same manner as if they are ordinary commercial transactions,

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Revenue Department.

No. 972

Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Under date the 3rd July 1874.

Read the following Memo. by the Chief Engineer P.W. Dept.

Regarding requirements of timber for the use of works and the manner of working it — (H.E. 16 July 1874.) with 4 Enclosures to 4

The Government resolve to lay down the following general rules for the regulation of transactions in timber between the Forest and Public Works Departments.

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(2) The Public Works Department shall ~~[illegible]~~ and

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Revenue 1874 Departs.

Memorandum by the Chief Engr. P.W. Dept. dated 16 July 1874.
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Regarding requirements of timber for the use of works & the manner of supplying it.

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2. The Chief Engineer's Memo: and accompanying papers will be communicated to the Board of Revenue, who will ascertain from the Collector of Coimbatore at an early date whether the requirements of the Public Works Department as therein stated can be met, and whether under the rules above recorded the price at Poldamore will exceed or fall short of that which the Chief Engineer estimates his Department can afford to pay.

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To [illegible]
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