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(To ascertain the principle on which contribution to Elementary Education Fund is fixed on the Taluk Boards and specially in the Ganjam District.)



Law (Education) Department.

A.S.

Under ^{the} proviso to section 37 of the Elementary Education Act, 1920, the Government are bound to contribute the amount incurred from Provincial funds on elementary schools under the control of local bodies in the year 1920-21. The Act, however, does not provide for any corresponding statutory obligation on the part of local bodies to continue to contribute from ~~the~~ ^{their} general funds the amount spent from such funds on elementary education in the year 1920-21. The provision of facilities for elementary education is a duty laid on ^{the} taluk boards under the Local Boards Act, and the expenditure connected with the maintenance of elementary schools is therefore a legitimate charge on the general funds of the taluk boards. Ignoring this provision, some local bodies attempted to reduce or withdraw altogether the contributions from the ^{the} general funds for elementary education and to meet the cost of

proceeds of the education tax. The object of the levy of the education tax is, however, to provide funds for the opening of new schools, and the Government had to rule that ~~the proceeds of the tax~~ should not be diverted for the maintenance of schools already in existence. In order to ensure that the funds available for elementary education are not diminished, the Government ~~are~~ require local bodies to contribute every year from their general revenues at least a sum equal to the contribution made in 1920-21. Many local bodies, however, pleaded inability to continue their usual contributions. In consequence, the Government appointed District Committees to frame a normal budget for each taluk board, and the Board's contribution to ^{the} elementary education fund has been fixed in the light of the recommendations of the Committee. The contribution which each taluk board in the Ganjam district is required to make is given below:-

	<u>Contribution paid in 1920-21.</u>	<u>Contribution fixed in the normal budget.</u>
Berhampur	3,788	3,800
Chatrapur	18,687	11,840
Chicacole	25,491	25,491
Gummsur	16,578	16,578

The contribution to be made by the Chatrapur Taluk Board was fully discussed in the notes to G.O. No. 2799 dated 9-10-24.



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to Taluk Boards for
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